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T H E R E A S O N W H Y .

Washington, D. C., 1904.

To my Friends:

Recently looking over files of old letters that had been accumulating since 1850, with the intention of destroying them, I was surprised to find that many of them are of historic value both to the Presbyterian Church, and to the Country, and therefore worthy of preservation.

A number of the letters are written with poor ink which is fading and will soon be illegible. Others are written with a lead pencil on an inferior quality of paper, which is falling to pieces, and all of the earlier letters were written at a time when copying with a letter-press was rare.

To rescue and preserve these records of the activity of a church working to build up a Christian civilization west of the Mississippi River, it became necessary to copy the original letters, by typewriting, and then press-copy the typewriting. This has now been done.

As the letters have filled over eight thousand type-written pages , it was no small undertaking. Twenty-seven typewriters were employed for longer or shorter periods. The larger number had other work and copied these letters when off duty in order to increase their income. They represented all grades of workmanship, good, bad and indifferent. Consequently many mistakes were made, which I have tried in the limited time at my disposal to correct.

In some letters the writing was so bad or ink so poor, that the best of typewriters could not make them out and I have been surprised at the patience and skill manifested by some of them in deciphering illegible scrawls. (I doubt if some of the writers themselves, could now make out their own letters).

If I could have had sufficient time, without neglecting more important work, I would have edited the letters and eliminated personal and private matters. It was to reproduce them in their original form, or not at all and I chose the original form.

In that form they give a true picture with the lights and shadows of the every day life of the heroic, God-fearing men and women, who with great self-denial, much suffering and many tribulations laid the foundations of Christian institutions and Christian states west of the Mississippi River.

In this connection I regret to say that previous to 1885, my own letters were also sent out uncopied and can not now be

gathered up.

My correspondence since that time, has been copied into letter-press books, 20 volumes of which contain my private, and 42 volumes, my official letters as United States General Agent of Education in Alaska. These official volumes are the property of the U. S. Bureau of Education.

The 20 volumes of my private letters, together with the original letters received by me since 1858 (as far as preserved) will be deposited with the Presbyterian Historical Society located at Philadelphia. Of the two or three copies made of the original letters received, one set will be deposited in the Congressional Library, Washington, one in the Library of Princeton Theological Seminary, and one in the Library of Westminster College, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Additional information concerning the same work is contained in a series of scrap-books, kept by myself since 1859, of which there are 21 volumes on Alaska (including 3 on the introduction of domestic reindeer into Alaska), Arizona, 1; California, 1; Colorado, 3; Iowa, 1; Kansas, 1; Minnesota, 2; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 1; New Mexico, 4; Pueblos of New Mexico and Arizona, 2; Utah, 6 (including 3 of Westminster College), Utah and Wyoming, 1; Washington, Oregon and Idaho, 1; and 2 volumes of certificates of membership in various societies, appointments and other personal matters. These 42 volumes of scrap-books will be given to the Presbyterian Historical Society, with the exception of the three volumes on Westminster College, which will be given to that institution.

Other information of my work in Alaska is contained in "Alaska and Missions on the North Pacific Coast," Published by Dodd, Mead & Co., New York, 1880. "Among the Alaskans" by Julia McNair Wright, Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia, 1883, and "Life in Alaska" by Mrs. Eugene S. Willard, (Edited by Mrs. Eva McClintock), 1884, Published by Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia. "The Rainbow's End Alaska" by Miss Alice Palmer Henderson, Chicago, 1898, pp. 195-224; "Doyle's Presbyterian Home Missions", pp. 99-136 and 195-224; Published by Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia, 1902. National Geographic Magazine, Washington, D. C., Vol. 7, pp. 27-31. (1896), and Vol. 14, April, 1903, pp. 126-147. Smithsonian Report for 1902, Washington, D. C., pp. 613-623; Southern Workman, Vol. 33, April, 1904, pp. 209-215. Hampton, Va. "Our Western Archipelago", pp. 141-180, Scribner Bros., New York, 1895; "Musings by Camp Fire & Way Side" pp. 207-264, F. H. Revell & Co., Chicago; "Truth about Alaska", "The Land of Gold", pp. 168-181, 193-197, by Eugene McElwaine, 1901; "Our Day," Vol. 15, January, pp. 13-17, Chicago, 1895; "Temperance in Alaska," Published in Standard Encyclopedia of Temperance and Prohibition", Chicago.

Also, in my nineteen annual reports on "Education in Alaska" Published in the Annual Reports of the U. S. Commissioner of Education, (1885-1904), and fourteen annual reports on the "Introduction of Domestic Reindeer into Alaska," published by the

United States Senate (1891-1904).

Additional information concerning my work in Alaska and other fields, will be found in the following publications: "The Rocky Mountain Presbyterian", a monthly missionary paper owned and edited by myself at Denver, Colorado (1872-1882); "The North Star," a monthly missionary paper which I published at Sitka, Alaska (1887-1892); "Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions," pages 1036-37, in "Presbyterian Encyclopedia," published at Philadelphia, 1884. "Among the Pimas," p. 47, Published by Ladies Union Mission School Association, Albany, 1893; "Pioneering in the San Juan," Revell & Co., Chicago and New York, 1899.

Biographical Sketches in "Presbyterian Encyclopedia", Philadelphia, 1884,pp. 374-5 and 1076; "The National Cyclopedia of American Biography," Vol. 9, p. 251-2, James T. White & Co., New York, 1897; "Appleton's Cyclopedia of American Biography," Vol. 3, p. 390, D. Appleton & Co., New York, 1900; "Allibone's Dictionary of Authors," Supplement Vol. 2, p. 893, J. B. Lippencott Co., Philadelphia, 1891; "New International Encyclopedia," Vol. 10, p. 280, Dodd, Mead & Co., New York, 1903; "Lamb's Biographical Dictionary of the U. S." Vol. 4, p. 331, James H. Lamb & Co., Boston, 1901; "The Encyclopedia Americana" Vol. 9, The American Co., New York and Chicago; "Herringshaw's American Biography," p. IX, American Publishers' Association, Chicago, 1901; "Who's Who in America", Chicago; "Review of Reviews," Vol. 13, June, pp. 691, New York, 1896; "Christian Herald," Vol. 18, No. 2, p. 17, New York, 1895; "The Missionary Review," Vol. 8, November, pp. 829-831, New York, 1895; "The Outlook," September 17, 1898, pp. 183-185, New York; "The Assembly Herald," February 1899,pp. 69-79, Philadelphia; "The Treasury, Vol. 13, May, pp. 15-24, New York.

Trusting that these letters may preserve the memory and deeds of the faithful men and women, who, during the last half of the nineteenth century, amid much hardship and constant self-denial, labored to establish churches and Christian institutions among the pioneers of the Western half of the United States; and through the record of their missionary zeal, kindle the enthusiasm and provoke to good works coming generations of Christian young men and women; and furnish future historians with many facts concerning the beginnings of the Church in that vast region, that would otherwise have been lost sight of, and lead to a clearer understanding of some of the causes which have produced such large results in the establishment of strong Christian churches and healthful public sentiment, is the earnest wish and prayer of one, who has, through the abundant grace of God, been permitted to be a part of the work for half a century.

Your fellow worker in the Lord,

Sheldon Jackson.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
280 Broadway, New York.

Dear Sir:

Miss Louisa Deane, 46 West 37th Street wrote me this morning asking for your address which I did not have. Will you kindly send her postal giving your address and how long a time you will be in New York.

My husband regretted very much not seeing you. If you have the time to write me a few of the more forcible points of your address, and exactly what help you need in your work it might be in our power to help you among our personal friends, should the Society not aid as I desire, and give money to Alaska.

Sincerely yours,
Sarah J. Van Dyke,
460 North 22rd.

Portland, Oregon.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Dear Sir:

Inclosed is a copy of the Constitution of the Woman's North Pacific Presbyterian Board of Missions. The formation was consummated and approved by Synod at its last session, and it embraces Home and Foreign Missions.

We most earnestly hope that it meets your approval and that we shall have your hearty cooperation in sustaining the work.

Will you please to let me know if there are one or more auxiliaries connected with your church and if so, give me the address of the President or the Secretary, that I may have a correct list of such societies in Synod.

Yours very truly,
Lydia F. Warren.
Cor.Sec.

S.F.Amson.
Thursday Evening.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

If there is no difficulty about it my sister and I would like to have our contributions to the Training school credited to the Home Missionary Society (Ladies) of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago. My father preferred to have his go through the Lake Forest Presbyterian Church.

With remembrances to the ladies who so kindly enter-

joined us and wishing you all great success in your work.

Sincerely,
Annie Williams.

Port Simpson, British Columbia.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your note came to hand by Captain and we were very glad to hear from you after so long. We should have been most pleased to have had you visit us and shall be most delighted to see you at any time hope it may be arranged when I am at home for so much of my time is away from home. We have always watched your movements when we could, and I am pleased to hear you have done so much for the Education of Alaska. I do hope the Mission work is going on well at all the posts.

May God bless all the Ministers! I hope Mr.Duncan will succeed beyond his expectation, and especially that of his enemies.

I do not think the people here will move to Alaska, if they did move it would be in our own country.

Mrs.Crosby and children are well and she joins in to yourself and Mrs.Jackson.

Yours truly,
T.Crosby.

P.S.There is a little matter you may not know that some some years ago when Doctor and Mrs.McFarland were here on a visit we got up a subscription towards a stone for Phillips grave. I got the stone, had it put up and Doctor Mc. said he would like to take the subscription and get something for all the missionsand send it back. I understood he did so and sent it back to Wrangell and I wrote to Mr.Young but I have not heard from him.

It is not the cost of the stove ($35.00) as the fact that I understood that several subscribed to it and I like to have known where it went to. All I got was from his wife Annie.

T. C.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.
Clarion, Pa.
January 2, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter was awaiting me when I returned home Saturday and I ship your map to-day expenses prepaid. I had a good audience Thursday night and made an engagement in advance for next September. I have several engagements for this winter.

Mrs.Jackson's illness is to be regretted and I trust she may be speedily recovered. All my family are in good health.

Your determination to hold on to your position gives me great satisfaction. They will probably not proceed to extreme measures this winter. Has Governor Swineford reached Washington.

What are Lieutenant Bolles's chances for obtaining command of the Pinta? I think it would be a good thing for our interests if we could get him back to Alaska.

With best wishes for success in all your enterprises, I remain

Sincerely yours,
A.J.Davis.

Aurora, New York,
January 2, 1868.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Brother:

I have but recently organized a young people's society of Christian Endeavor, here for the purpose of training the young people of the church to work in the church and Sabbath School; and to-night I told them about you and your work in Alaska, and they want you to come and give a lecture on Alaska, for their benefit, and if you can do so, I have no doubt they will get you a good audience, and I am certain it will pay in the future as it will create an interest in the great work there. We would like to have the lecture about the 16th or 23rd, or 26th or 27th inst., as we wish to get a full representation from the College and the Academy. I most earnestly wish you may be able to come and bring your maps etc. We will pay your expenses and try and treat you well while you are here; will you please let me hear from you as soon as convenient.

Hoping you are well, I am

Very sincerely yours,
J.F.Wills, D.D.

OHIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL QUARTERLY.
Oberlin, Ohio, January 4, 1885.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I think the best service you can render to tourists would be to republish my Journal of Science article entire with the additions which I enclose. I mail you a copy and also electrotype plates of the two maps. I have had much inquiry concerning my visit by tourists who have returned this year, and the next hand book for travellers in Alaska will contain a brief summary of my facts but

not my maps. I feel sure that you could sell enough copies to reimburse yourself, and if you can do anything more I should be very glad to contribute something to your advantage. I enclose also a syllabus of a course of Lowell Institute Lectures which have given recently in Boston.

Hoping this may arrive in time to meet your purposes, and with abiding interest in the success of your noble work.

Yours fraternally,
S. Frederick Wright.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
Boston, Massachusetts.
January 5, 1886.

Reverend Brother Jackson:

I am not surprised at what you say because I greatly feared it so greatly that I dared not until I was obliged to.

Now do you think I am warranted in going on as if this outlook did not exist? I have not given the subject much thought but my present impressions are that I should place this before my Board for decision. Please give me your unprejudiced judgment in the matter. Put a moment into the of Doctor Jackson's shoes and imagine yourself intensely interested in this particular part of our lands, and say what you think my duty is. I must not raise money for a certain place and purpose when if your present views are correct such money cannot there be used.

You did not answer Brother Ames question as to his writing to Dawson. Please answer by earliest mail. Would you advise him to go on and see if he will become responsible for this promised plan to be continued and guaranteed and be carried out. If no such thing can be done what shall we do.

You see my position. Please give me the wisest council and at the earliest moment.

Yours for Christ and Humanity,
Mrs.L.H.Daggett.

Washington, D.C.,
January 5, 1886.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I send you just a line to thank you for so kindly sending me word how to reach Mr.Dawson. I have a draft on New York which I will send to him. I am glad you are to be here, again this winter and I trust I shall be able to see more of you and your family than I usually do - though I somewhat despair as work presses. Please remember

us, both to Mrs.Jackson & your daughters if she is with you and believe me,

Faithfully yours,
Joseph T.Kelly.

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2 West 52nd Street, New York.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your note just received. Can you call at 11.30 this morning as I am going into the country this afternoon to spend the night. Hoping you can come this morning.

Truly yours,
M.L.Shepard.

Dunkirk, New York,
January 13, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir:

Some two years or more ago, the Presbyterian Sabbath School of this city collected $25.00 for the Alaska Mission. They wrote to a lady there a teacher in one of the schools of Alaska with a view of forwarding the funds to her so that she might appropriate them to the Missions. The money was put in the bank here awaiting her call - the name of the lady I did not learn. The call for the money did not come, and the funds are still in the bank and can be had at any time for the purpose they were intended. Lately I became the Superintendent of the Sunday School and learned the facts concerning the money. I concluded to write to you as the most suitable person to dispose of them.

Awaiting your answer I will give you my address as below.

John R.James,
420 Elm St., Dunkirk,
N.Y.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
Washington, D.C.
January 14, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Sir:

I wanted to see you yesterday and ask you what had been done to assure the land upon which they are settling to the Colonists of Mr.Duncan on Annette Island, Alaska. We all know from sad experience that unless the

title us assured to them in some way, they will not be safe a moment whenever a white man wants. Has any executive order been made. And what legislation is needed. I will be glad to co-operate in any way in my power in the matter.

Yours truly,
W.C. Pitt McCutcheon.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
Boston, Massachusetts.
January 16, 1882.

Dear Brother Jackson:

Yours dated New York mailed at Washington is at hand, for which please accept thanks.

I am glad the vacancy created by Lamar is favorable to you.

Your advice going ahead but you know I cant go ahead and send buildings there without the Govt sending the teacher to use it. The Committee to Whom the Alaskan question was committed by our General Committee meeting, Parent Society New York in their report recommended an appropriation. After some discussion it was laid upon the table for future consideration. But I can not learn that that future came before the adjournment. I have written to the chairman of Committee, Bishop Walden but no re ly as yet has come. I was and am looking about to learn if they can take from their contingent fund to send a man who has had large experience in teaching. College President at one time and think in frontier work and "old bleeding Kansas work" and to Unga as a Missionary among those miners and hunters and such others who could reach but if our Unalaska work fails I shall not be half as likely to succeed in this. He came to see me about going to Alaska thinking our Society sent Missionaries. I told him Brother Ames had just chance but if he wanted to take a place as teacher I would write you about his going to some other place. Unga if Brother Carr left or Belkofsky. where Duncan says a teacher ought to be sent you through him and by his endorsement as well as Lamar. I see by the letters report that he endorses all you recommend and advises the appropriation of $50,000. Now if this is so I want you to do your best for at least one more place beside Unalaska and Unga. I can enthuse people much more easily if there are other places beside our own. I mean our Mission station.

I see you still vacillate betwaen Unga and Unalaska. I thought you were fully convinced that the latter was by all means the place for our Home. I have worked it up on Unalaska as per your judgment. Taken the men to meetings to show them the location - shown it to individuals without

number. Is there no way that we can be assured of that and a guarantee in some way that we will not be disturbed in our selection of land? I tremble sometimes when I think of going to all this expense and then find ourselves ousted by whoever so desires. Brother Ames wants to undertake at least a vegetable garden for which I am glad. Now I can see how after a New England man had made a home and brought vegetation out of bareness, beauty from desolation a covetous eye and jealous heart could lay claim and obtain all his possessions if he had no guarantee beforehand.

You advise my laying the matter before named before my Bureau. This is equivalent to a cessation of all effort and I do not want to do so until I am sure there is no hope. We have too many certain and crowding calls to enter reliable openings to allow us to press an uncertainty - doubtful project. This latter has largely hindered in our work. Because we could not say positively what we could and could not do, I s had many who had certainties before them to discourage people to take active part in Alaskan work.

The last time I saw or conferred with our lamented Bishop Harris, he said "Sister Baggett, dont you put any confidence in Government promises." I think if he had lived until our Missionary Meetings - Parent Society, I mean - he, with the few others who see Alaska as it is would have obtained an appropriation from the Committee. The last thing he said as he turned away wearily and looking as if he would drop down (at Conf) "Sister Baggett, you write this all out for me just before our Missionary meeting and I will present it." He was in Heaven months before that. Mrs. Bishop Fowler, San Francisco, accepts a position in my Bureau which rejoices me. Both she and her husband are interested in this work. Another reason I need positive assurance of something is that I cannot in justice hold Brother Ames beyond Conference in early April. I notice your letter mailed at Washington. Does that mean that you will be able to know more now than before?

Please make a special effort to have Unalaska (if you are sure that is best and I see no way of changing now, best or not) pledged to us. You can say we have been planning and have in active operation plans for our Industrial school there in connection with the Government school. You had arranged for this surely they will not go back upon you and us under such circumstances.

Now as to you coming East, It seems to me like getting money under false pretences with the present outlook. I hope you have been able to learn more of what will be done since your visit there - to Washington.

I want you to come on but do want this dark cloud to pass over first. Still I may decide to try it without. Where will your expenses be from? and how much?

Pardon this long letter but I have written no more than

I want you to know nor asked more questions than the necessity for lacking information demands in order to enable me to work intelligently and successful. If I could make a public announcement that we were going to open this work at Unalaska at All we lacked was for completing our Home and its furnishing it would look more like business. Now it is simply if, if and if etc. We never have money.

Sincerely,

Mrs.M.L.Daggett.

If this reaches you at Washington, I wish you would see Mrs.Roach at 909 L St., N.W. She seems to have dropped out or lost her zeal. Do not let her know I told you so. But entuse her again. When I sent her the one book, she wrote immediately for a dozen more which of course was sent by earliest mail. I have learned she is quick up and quick down. More talk than work. But if you can see her it may do good. I have feared that she had got hold of some discourageing one.

Montrose, Oklahoma.
January 21, 1888.

My dear sir:

Will you kindly allow a son of your old instructor, Reverend G.Diefendorf, to trespass upon your time and patience with a few inquiries in regard to Alaska?

1st. When can I obtain a copy of your work concerning that territory and what is the title and the price thereof?

2d. Could a colony of industrious, sober people - used to frontier life and possessing some means establish themselves successfully in that territory and if so what part - east west or south - would afford such a probability?

My excuse for inflicting these questions upon you is that myself, my mother and several friends have had our attention turned to the far Northwest and we are desirous of some information upon which we can implicitly rely.

Very respectfully,

W.G.Diefendorf.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson.

Grand Hotel, Athens.
Athens, January 22,1888

My dear Doctor Sheldon Jackson:

You will note my remoteness and therefore, I trust, make allowances for my delay in acknowledging your courteous letter and the receipt of most

interesting account of the Alaskan Society.

I congratulate you very heartily upon the successful beginning which you have made and I am particularly pleases to think if the blessings of an education for the eight Alaskans whom you brought East.

May the Society prosper and give every one yearly cause to congratulate you as I am sure we all have heartily done this year.

Be assured that though my congratulations may inevitably reach you last they are not for that the less heartfelt.

Yours very faithfully,
Louis Dyer.

My address is: c/o Macmillan & Co., 30 Bedford St., London.

UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM.
Washington, D.C.
January 23, 1888.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

I sent a letter thanking you for yours including my name in the Alaskan Society to Sitka and it must have passed you on the way down.

I was glad to receive the number of the North Star and should like to have it for my files if you can spare me a copy. I shall be glad to know if you come to Washington this winter.

Yours very truly,
William H.Dall.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING SCHOOL.
Sitka, Alaska.
January 24, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
My dear Doctor:

Your letter dated Port Tongas, November 22, 1887, did not reach us until January 14, 1888. It was too late for your list of teachers, also for the reprint of your letter as the type has been distributed.

I thank you most sincerely for your suggestion to write to Board monthly and also about the bills and accounts.

Mrs.Austin has returned with renewed earnestness.

I fear we made a mistake in getting Mrs.Harding. However, we will hope and manage for the best.

Our school is steadily growingin favor with those who used to violently oppose us.

I had a good letter from Mrs.Walker this steamer. Also from Mr.Mason.

Both the societies meet regularly. The museum Society holds the interest best. We have not yet received the sci-

once monthlys.

Very sincerely,
William A.Kelly.

P.S. Miss Powell occupied the new school house on Monday for the first. Doctor Voorhees has accepted the building for the Territorial Board. What arrangements will be made for getting paid I do not know.
William A.K.

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81 Roseville Ave., Newark, N.J.
January 25, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Brother:

Not having received a telegram, I have concluded that our arrangements remains as in your note and that you will be with us next Sabbath, the 29th inst, at the anniversary of our Alaska band. I have been unable to make as yet an engagement for the morning of that day but hope to do so before the close of the week. The news of your coming has awakened a great deal of enthusiasm among the young people they will be very glad to see and to hear you again.

I have no doubt that your visit will prove a real blessing to our Missionary interests and send the Band forward into the New Year with renewed strength and momentum.

Yours truly,
Charles T.Kelly.

Juneau, Alaska.
January 25, 1888

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Sir:

Knowing you to be a friend to the people of Alaska by the request of many of its citizens, I write you, asking that you may use your influence once more to relieve our District of an unworthy Judge. Charges have been sent in by this Post against Judge Dawson for drunkenness and immorality. His conduct here is simply scandalous, justice can not be obtained, he is constantly under the influence of liquor and seems to have no respect for himself or the honorable position which he disgraces. I trust that you will help us in this matter and if you do the people of Juneau will long remember this your best act of all. Wishing you, your usual success, I have the honor to remain.

Respectfully,
J.J.Malamuy.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
January 26, 1886.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson, Esq.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 21st is received. I introduced my Alaska Bill Monday. I did not exactly follow the draft which you sent me, as I had the bill already prepared and in my desk before yours was received. As soon as it is printed I will send you a copy, and hope that you will find it satisfactory.

Yours truly,
P.M.McCutcheon.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
Baltimore, Md., January 27, 1886

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Yours of the 27 did not reach me until late yesterday. I am sorry that there is so little time to arrange for a lecture, and that my colleague, Doctor Adams and I are both engaged this evening, so that neither of us can have a pleasure of hearing you or shewing you any attention. I cannot therefore urge you to remain over night as under our circumstances I should be happy to do:- but you will find - one of our libraries this evening a company of historical students who will give you a welcome, if you can appear before them.

Yours very truly,
D.C.Gilman.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
Boston, Massachusetts.
January 27, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Brother:

Your kindly letter of the 25th is at hand For the definite statements I thank you. I now wish to know if you can guarantee that Brother Ames shall go to Unga, if he so decides by earliest conveyance?

2. Also if he should go there and appropriations should be granted sufficient to allow Unalaska a school could he be transferred there in case we find acceptable couple to take his place at Unga when he should leave?

3. You say Dawson's proposition is we provide teacher building, books etc, etc, etc, and he will pay
This means we provide everything and he pays tuition, doesn't it? We catch the children and hold them without Government

aid;no compulcion upon that part?
4. Does this offer hold good to the Greek priest?
5. My first question should have been if Brother Ames should go there upon same terms as Brother Carr 1,200, even if he has but a dozen pupils.
6. Do you know if the houses Brother Carr spoke of there are still available.
7. I have asked Brother Carr if he will go to Unga in case you assure him that he shall go and at a salary 1,500 (reduced I see because Government has no surplus)
8. In case he will not - if not he will go to Cook Inlet we lose him! I will do my best for a man and wife for Unga. We must not lose that nor Unalaska either.

I shall see Bishop Foster in a few days, I hope. Bishop Fowler is interested - his wife upon my Bureau.

Sincerely yours for Christ and Alask
Mrs.L.H.Daggett.

Bethlehem, Pa., January 28,1888

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Carlisle, Pa.
Dear Brother:

In reply to your esteemed favor of the 26th inst, I beg to say that we have been for some time aware of the position taken by the U.S.Commissioner of Education in deciding that we are not entitled to receive $1500. for the year 1886-7, for our school at Bethel, and in view of the reasons stated, we do not at all make any such demands. We shall, however, very thankfully receive any amount the Commissioner and you may agree upon and be willing to pay us. We prefer however, not to mention any sum but will leave it entirely to the liberality and sense of justice of the Commissioner and yourself, merely stating that having reckoned to some extent on government aid, we are now much in need of funds.

With respect to the offer of the Commissioners for 1887, and 1888, to pay both at Bethel and Carmel $10. per quarter per average pupil - not however to exceed $1000. or $1200. at each place," we are entirely satisfied and shall be glad to conclude an agreement to this effect.

I should be very happy to have you visit us before your return to Alaska, but our Board does not consider it necessary at this time, for the sake of consultation as they are perfectly satisfied to accept the Commissioners' offers.

We have recently issued a call for a volunteer to go to the assistance of Read Rilback as teacher and Missionary at bethel, and have reason to expect a favorable response.

With very kind regards I remain,
Your brother in Christ, Robt deSchweinitz

Danbury, Pa., January 30, 1883.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am authorized by Doctor Huntington to invite you to address our students on Monday evening next February 5. To this invitation of the faculty, I add a cordial one from the students. Doctor Huntington also asks me to ask you to be his guest during your stay with us. Trusting no unforeseen engagements may prevent your being with us at this time, I remain

Yours sincerely,
James T.Rodgers.

The train leaving Clinton Spring at 11.30 P.M. would be the latest train you could conveniently take.

Danville, Pa., January 30, 1883.

Dear Brother Jackson:

Yours of the 25th received. Very glad to know that you can give an evening before you return to Alaska. You can reach Bethlehem via Hazleton in part of a day. This too is I believe the most direct route. Or from Carlisle you could reach it via Reading and return from Danville. Tuesday or Thursday would probably be the best night but can arrange for any night except Wednesday. If it suited you to spend a Sabbath with us we would say Saturday evening. I expect to be at Harrisburg about the 5th 6th or 7th of July and will probably run down to Carlisle. Would you be there at that time? or if I should go down Thursday of this week could I meet you there? Would much prefer to go next week however. We are very sorry to hear of Mrs.Jackson's ill health. Would be delighted to see her. Could you not make this a resting station on your way to Carlisle.

Doctor Mitchell of Plymouth was in this morning and said tell Doctor Jackson to arrange a night for us when he comes to Danville. You can correspond with him on the subject if it is practicable.

Saw Mrs.Chamberlain on Saturday. She was very much grat ified to know that you were coming to Danville wants to know about the Alaska trip. I will take you up to see her and her very interesting family.

An answer before Thursday will oblige. Give us a week or ten days previous notice of lecture.

Yours sincerely,
R.L.Stuart.

Mrs.S. says stay over Sabbath with us if possible and bring Mrs.Jackson and be sure and stop off here to rest on your way South.

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48 Glen Avenue., Troy N.Y.
January 31, 1888.

Doctor Jackson:
Dear Sir:

As President of the Troy Presbyterial Home Mission Society I feel desirous of knowing more of the work in Alaska and becoming more identified with it. The local Society of my own Church (Westminster) would like to undertake some special work there and I agreed to write and ask you what we had we better do. If you can give us any hints or suggestions they will be gladly received and acted upon.

I wonder if your wife remembers Hattie Borst of the old Amsterdam school days? I remember Mary Voorhees very well also yourself and you doubtless have many pleasant recollections of dear Uncle Goodale whose home was my home for so many years. I have followed your course with great interest and thank God that He has made you so useful in His cause.

With kind regards to both yourself and wife, I am

Yours sincerely,
(Mrs.H.M.) Harriet M.Dunphy.

State Normal School.
Clarion, Pa., February 4,1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter of the 26th ult is here. I have not seen "Dee Saw." Where can I get it?

Will the Governor continue to oppose you and your measures? It occurs to me that if he would second your efforts in behalf of an appropriation for the schools of Alaska you might be able to secure an increase this year. Mr. Randall has lost prestige in this state, and would no doubt be willing to give us some consideration in return for aid to regain his lost power at home. I believe if I could see him I could secure his consent to give the schools of Alaska $50, 000 this year. Of course it would not do to let administration circles know of any understanding with Mr.Ransdall If you deem it wise I shall write to him and endeavor to secure his aid. His opposition has hitherto been the chief obstacle in the way of adequate appropriations.

Our school is growing steadily and we expect to enroll at least three hundred students in the spring. The State appropriated thirty five thousand dollars for our use, and a few weeks ago, while we unexpectedly struck a flowing oil well. Yesterday we sold the well for six thousand dollars reserving one-eighth of the production of oil, and all the gas. We heat all our rooms with steam generated by a natural gas fire and all our lights are supplied by the same

subtle fluid. Our entire property is worth over $130,000.00 I wish you could come to visit us before you return to Alaska. If you want a teacher, we can supply all you need, and guarantee them first class.

Your friend,
A.J.Davis.

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41 Walnut Newark, N.J.,
February 1, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Im sorry that I did not see you on Sunday. I called at Brother Hopewood's House after dinner and found you had left for Roseville. I sent my son to meet you after service to ask you if you could not spend the 3rd Sabbath (19th inst) with me, and preach morning and evening and make a Missionary day, for us and also to talk to our Sunday School. Brother Hopewood informs me that he did the business and engaged you for that day. Then we will understand that you are to supply our pulpit for that day and receive pay the same as we pay our regular supplies $25.00 please with upon receipt and oblige

Yours truly,
Horace Allen.

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415 Dearborn St., Chicago.
February 1, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Friend:

I have changed the address of Friend's Missionary Advocate to Carlisle, as directed I am glad to learn through you that the Kansas friends have chosen a favorable location for their Alaska work. They are deeply interested in their Mission work and have desired to have it commended to the favorable notice of our Church through the Advocate but I have hesitated for reasons expressed to you in previous letters. Whenever you are able to assure me from personal observation, that the Mission is being wisely conducted I shall feel differently.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies of different yearly meetings in the United States propose to hold a Missionary Conference at Indianapolis, Indiana, sometimes in next April. It will be the first National Missionary meeting ever held by our church. We intend to have all the Mission fields in which our women are working represented by an able speakers as can be secured. I have been wondering if you would be available at that time to speak to us on Alaska

We would hardly be able pecuniarily to transport from Washington, I fear. But if you should have a prospect of being within sailing distance in April we would be glad to give you an hour on our program. Some of us are hoping a Union Indian Mission (by "Union" I mean supported by all Womans Boards may grow out of this Conference and I do not see why it might not be located in Alaska as well as among our Indian Territory tribes.

I am expecting ladies of the program committee to join me during the coming ten days, to help arrange topics and make full arrangements for the exercises. If you have any light at present on the suggestion as to your being with us, please inform me at once and state your times and greatly oblige,

Thy friend,

Ellen Tuttle Pritchard.

Worcester, Massachusetts.
February 1, 1880.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Sir:

I met you at Juneau, Alaska, last July and afterward in November called upon you at Sitka, in company with Mr.Overand of the Missions school. You may not remember me. I have been much interested in Duncan and his Metlakahtla colony, and I never heard until my return that, in December of the grave charges against him of immorality and that that was the animus of the opposition to him by the Church Missionary Society led by Bishop Ridley, I was the more surprised because it had not appeared in the prolonged and somewhat bitter quarrel of the past three years. As published the quarrel seemed to be based upon other issues, when my informant, asked the Bishop why it had not appeared with the other charges against Duncan he replied because of the scandal uselessness of it. From your position I assumed that you may know if there is any truth and how much in those charges. I appreciates the work of Duncan and recognize fully his wonderful civilizing power but when he goes before the public, asking either for sympathy or money he finds and ought to find himself fearfully handicapped unless those charges are false and he show a clean record. I do not like to stand midway in a contest, doubting both sides so pray give me a little light if you can.

I return to Alaska in a month or two. My address there is Juneau in Worcester 491 Southbridge St.

Truly yours,

D.T.Goddard.

N.B. I get your address from a copy of the "North Star" that I have before me. I notice that among the girls that come

East with you, is Minnie Trotter. Is she from Juneau? Can you tell me? D.S.O.

Danville, Pa. February 2, 1888.

Dear Brother Jackson:

I have just sent telegram in answer to yours saying that we will take either Wednesday or Thursday 8 or 9 also that we can arrange for you at Bloomsbury on Wednesday if you prefer. Wednesday is not the best night for us. All the churches have Prayer meeting on that evening at 7.30. Still we do not wish to inconvenience you. Could secure a better audience on Thursday. Your old friends here and you have many are delighted to hear that you are coming. If in view of the situation you can, come even if you have despatches to the Secretary, at our expense. Tell Mrs. Jackson she need not visit if she feels like stopping. She can rest and do just like she pleases.

Fraternally yours,
R.L.Stewart.

AUBURN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Auburn, N.Y., February 3, 1888

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Sir:

Very glad to have you talk to our students once more, as our Senior James Rodgers, tells me you consent to do. Come, Monday, as early as you can. Our meeting, in the Seminary chapel, is at a quarter before seven, Monday evening.

You are to be my guest 11 Seminary Street, and my family will give you a cordial welcome.

Fraternally yours,
E.A.Huntington.

Phelps, February 4, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Honored servant of God, and highly esteemed for your work's sake.

It seemed as if your soul stirring heart-moving address last evening would have most thoroughly aroused all your hearers and the response to your call for help on behalf of the Master met with a warm and hearty response, instead of the apathy which would have sent a cold chill through your heart.

For myself I should have esteemed it a great privilege

to have taken you by the hand and personally thanked you, in "His name," whose dying command you so earnestly are seeking according to the measure of grace and strength given to fulfil. An interest in Alaska and its poor benighted - perishing people - has been awakened which God forbid shall ever die. Were the Lord to bid me go, it seems as if I would joyfully obey. And tell those who will rise up in the judgment and condemn the multitudes living under the midday light of the Gospel, the old, old story of Jesus and His love." But I may not run without being sent and the Lord needs younger, more efficient laborers.

Reading the little paper published in Alaska will I trust tend to keep up the interest in your Mission and its great work. May funds for the steam laundry flow in quickly. I do not believe in keeping the poor people, or rather the children in your school waiting a whole year for what a little self denial very little in most instances and none in many might be done at once.

Please accept the enclosed five dollars, from two friends for this object - gladly would we contribute much more, but it is comforting to those who cannot do much to have the Master's assurance "It is accepted according to that a man hath."

With the prayer that Jesus may see of the travail of His work in Alaska and be satisfied; that His labours in that portion of His vineyard may be permitted to see much fruit of their labors and that you may yet be spared to carry on the blessed work to which you have been specially called, and in which you have already been so greatly blessed.

Believe me yours, dear Sir, in the bonds of the Gospel,

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That I may know this has reached you I enclose postals which mail without making any inquiries. This is a private matter, the reason no name is added.

INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION.
New York, N.Y.
February 6, 1888.

Doctor H.H.Belfield,
Manual Training School,
Michigan Ave., & 12th Streets,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Doctor Belfield:-

Permit me to introduce to you, the bearer of this, Reverend Sheldon Jackson, the United States agent of Education in Alaska. Doctor Jackson wishes to inspect your school with a view of acquainting himself with the methods of instruction in order that he may apply as many as possible in the very excellent training school at Sitka.

Very truly yours, Nicholas Murray Butler.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS
Delaware, Ohio. February 6,1888

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

My dear Sir:

I sincerely thank you for your excellent suggestions and real help.

I glanced through your book at the house of a friend and have designed sending for it but a busy woman defers many things - shall be glad to notice it if you send me a copy. Hope my paper regularly reached you.

Most truly yours,
H.C.McCabe.

National Hotel, Washington, D.C
February 7, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
Sanitarium,
Clifton Springs, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your address has been given me by the Commissioner of Education. I wish, unless you are returning to Washington within a few days, that you would give me the full name (not initials simply) of the teacher at Unga, and also, if you can the name of a suitable person at Unalaska to be appointed postmasters at those places. I desire to secure the establishment of postoffices at all the principal points to the westward of Sitka, preliminary to the establishment of a monthly mail route from Sitka to the westward as far as Unalaska. The names I have are those of Ivan Petroff at Kadiak, Karnes A.Wirth at Afognak, Frank H.Wolf, Kushagak; and I am at a loss for suitable names to have appointed at Cooks Inlet, Belkofsky, Unga, and Unalaska. If it occurs to you that no postoffices should be established at any other points than those named, you will oblige me very much by giving me the names if you can, of suitable persons to be appointed. I have very little doubt of being able to secure the establishment of a monthly mail route to the westward - the only difficulty being in the way of first securing the establishment of new postoffices to be served by such a route. You can assist me very materially by giving such information as will enable me to name not only the points at which postoffices should be established, but suitable persons, as well, to be appointed as postmasters.

Hoping to hear from you by return mail, or at least, at your earliest convenience, I am

Yours very truly,
A.P. Swinsford.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
OF
The Presbyterian Church in the United States.
53 Fifth Avenue, New York.
February 9, 1882.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Carlisle, Pa.,
Dear Doctor Jackson:-

With this I enclose a copy of the original diagram for the Sitka hospital placed in my hands.

Kindly look it over and advise me if you think the plan has been followed to the letter by Mr.Kelly and the Carpenter who has had the matter in hand. We have had much anxiety to know about this and at once. Kindly let me hear from you by return mail and greatly oblige,

Yours very truly,
C.C.Eaton.

1233 17th St., Washington, D.C
February 10, 1882.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
My dear Sir:

From what you said when we met you on the Olympian last summer, I hoped much to have seen you before this time.

When we returned here after the holidays we found your letter containing the announcement of Mr. Farwell's election as honorary member of the "Museum of Alaskan Natural History and Ethnology." This honor is gratefully accepted. Where shall the entrance contribution be sent?

The ladies society of the church of the Covenant have asked me to tell them something of the pleasant remembrances of our visit to Alaska and I have consented to do so. I am asked to take part in a meeting to be held the first Monday in March. If you are in possession of recent intelligence from the Mission which would interest the ladies, I would be glad if you would communicate it to me before that time. The ladies of Washington seem much interested in the Alaskan people and I would gladly contribute to increase their interest.

The recent intelligence of new mineral discoveries, which I have heard has deepened the convictions that I already felt that whatever is done for these people must be done at once or the opportunity will be forever lost. We must give them the test of our civilization or they will surely fail before the worst.

Hoping that we may still see you here before the Session ends , I am

Yours most sincerely,
Mary E.Farwell.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

We are very desircus to have you in Princeton one Sabbath aden, to address Conference, eur six thirty meeting and any other service you may choose to take. Name a timeconvenient to you.

Respectfully,
S.Ed.Young.
Sec.Gen.Miss.Com.,
Princeton, N.J.

S.Hall Young is my cousin.

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621 Madison Ave., New York.
February 10, 1'''.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

I have not forgotten what I said to you about speaking to my young men. I found I could not get them together for Saturday afternoon, February 18, but I can get them and a good many others for Sunday evening, February 19th if you can speak to them then. The young men have a Prayer Meeting from half past seven, to eight every Sunday evening. If you can come they will have notices given out inviting all young men in all the Presbyterian Churches and give a general invitation to our Congregation. Your part of the meeting would begin at eight o'clock in the lecture room of our church under the protecting wing of the Young Men's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church. Now for my part. Will you come and take tea with me on that evening? We have tea at six o'clock and as you know are near the church. Hoping to hear from you as soon as possible, I am

Yours truly,
John Sinclair.

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355 West 30th St., New York.
February 10, 1888.

Doctor Jackson:
Dear Sir:

The New York Indian Association will meet [DV] at the residence of the President, Mrs.Theodore Irving, 21 West 31st Street, on Monday the 20th at half past three o8 clock in the afternoon. If you are in town they would like to hear you again in regard to Alaska. The proposition to have a cottage there meets with general favor; the matter will come up for consideration at the meeting of the Executive Committee next week and will be decided, I suppose, on the 20th. Kindly let us know if you can be with us on that date.

Yours very sincerely, (Miss) A.E.Buchanan
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2 West Fifty-second Street, N.Y.
February 11, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I enclose a letter of introduction to Secretary Whitney from Mr. Sloane hoping it will be of use.

We will be happy to have you call on Monday next at one o'clock and lunch with us. I will try to attend the meeting on Saturday at 5 P.M. whenI will hope to have the pleasure of meeting you again.

With kindest regards, from Mr. Shepard and myself

Very truly yours,

Margaret.W.Shepard.

Northfield, Mass., Feb.11, 1888

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Sir:

The girls have shown me your letters which they received this noon and in which you spoke of coming to see them February 22. They will be very glad to see you and so shall I. I am now sufficiently acquainted with them to be able to talk a little more intelligently with you in regard to them. I am very much interested in the little things.

I had best planning to be away from Tuesday until Friday (February 21 - February 24) and I wondered if you could as readily come to see us February 16 or later. We should enjoy having you with us over Sabbath. Miss Hall wishes me as I write to extend you an invitation from her to speak to our girls again when you come. I know your time is limited and your plans may not readily admit of change. If so, I will adapt mine to visit with you. Will it be too much trouble for you to arrange for return mail so that I shall know what to do?

Thank you for the book on Alaska which you forwarded to me. I should have acknowledge its receipt sooner. I have looked it over with the girls and they have explained to me the things so familiar to them. The girls are trying to do well, I think. I am having Blanche write to Mrs.Shepard today and intend to do so myself.

Yours very cordially,

A.P.Pettee.

1233 17th St., Washington, D.C.
February 13, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I have no engagements for Wednesday or Thursday mornings and shall be glad to see you on either of

these days.

Yours very sincerely,
Mary E. James.

Jackson, Alaska, February 13,1886

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D. .
Dear Brother:

If this letter should meet you in New York will you please make what terms you can about lumber? I am doing as well if not better than Sprague-' mill. I can furnish you any sizes you like - 2x4, 2x6, 2x8, 2x10 any length clear boarding, all lengths and with any 1x3 to 1x36; also rough boarding Some sizes planed flooring 1x4, 1x6. Ship lap 1x6. I cannot furnish beading or rustic - yes I will make Rustic knives some night this week - can you get me a pair of beading knives. You can get them sent by Messrs Deitz and Will, Cinn., Ohio. Tell them they are for their pony planer. I was disappointed in your not coming here last fall. I would have stayed in Wrangle to meet you but Mrs.McFarland insisted on going. I saw the Idaho when she came around Kou Island into the Duke of Clarence Straits the same day I left Wrangel. I tell you I felt blue missing you I have much to say to you when we meet. About yellow cedar I can furnish it if I can buy the logs. The Indians ask $5.00 per M for logs.

We have very fine yellow cedar here. But I have no money to expend that way. I received one hundred dollars from the Board. But I must make it go a long way. Our people are out of money just now; some came to me and wanted to get logs. I said I would take all they brought at 2.50 per M. I will expend all the money I own. Last Saturday three men brought 20,000. They report a large raft on the way. So you see our lumber will not cost much. The mill labor 3 men natives. I can cut from 4,000 to 5,000 M per day the regular price of logs is $4. per M. Red cedar is scarce that is good saw logs; although I can get as much as you will need (should you order it) I have 6 logs of alder of rare timber it is seldom you can find them large enough to saw. No climate affects it. Speaking in the language of the Chinook, it is quansum Kockquah. When do you expect to return There is a good school house here.

S Koultke got the best clock in town. Ask him where he got it and he will say Doctor Jackson Hyas Closh Tum Tum niker. He has also the largest looking glass in town; clock and glass hang together; and he sits in front admiring them. I have picked up from time to time all the laws and customs and several stories of our people. But I find their laws dont hang good. They break all laws except marriage in family Gens. They are at your disposal.

Give my kind regards to Mrs.Jackson.

I am very respectfully yours,
W.J.McLeod.

P.S. To find the cost of lumber per M or one days work average the produce at 3,500 feet cost of logs $4. throw mens' labor at $1. per day. My labor, wear and tear of machinery and grease.

W.D.McC.

TELEGRAM
Baltimore, Md., February 13,1888

Reverend Shelon Jackson,
125 Hanover St., Am sorry but have an important engagement for Tuesday evening. Wire me when you will come from Washington. I will meet you at Camden Depot .
Mrs.John F.Cowen.

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47 Brown Hall, Princeton, N.J.
February 14, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

We shall expect you the 26th. Both parties will be happy to have you take a service - the second Church in the morning and the first at night. You will meet the most young men in our meeting at 6:15 P.M. Would like to have you speak at Conference at 4 P.M. also.

Regret to say the 26th is the day for the Centennial fund collection. No week night would be very satisfactory. Please state the train on which you will reach Princeton and I will meet you.

Yours,
C.Ed.Young.

Hydah Mission, Jackson,Alaska.
February 14, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Brother:

I write you in haste this morning because I cant think of the mail going without a line to you on a very important subject. I regretted exceedingly when I found that you did not let me know about it, when you were taking children East so that I might have sent Nellie Miller with the others. You will remember her; she is a bright girl and I think has material qualifications for a teacher. It would be very hard for me to spare her on account of hav-

ing so little help but for her good of course I would be willing to do so. I write hoping that arrangements may be yet made for her to go, she is anxious to go herself and I think she would do herself and the work in Alaska credit. Please let me hear from you as soon as convenient.

Our work here grows more encouraging. My house is full and so are my hands. As all my large girls were married but Nellie before Christmas, she is 14 years old.

Remember me to Mrs. Jackson and your daughters.

Faithfully,
S.H.McFarland.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS OF NEW YORK
Twenty-third street branch.
56 East 23rd Street, New York.
February 14, 1898.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Mr. McKinney has just handed me a letter from Doctor Rocsa enclosing yours to him. I shall be very glad to assist in arrangement for a meeting of the medical students if we can do so. The difficulty is that just now the men in the graduating classes whom you particularly desire to reach are working day and night in connection with their examinations and it will be quite impossible to get any number of them to attend any meeting during the week. We have a meeting on Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock which is attended by about 20 of the class of men that you would like to reach. It is now being conducted as a Bible Training Class, for training men for personal contact with their fellow students in spiritual matters. If you could be here on the 19th or 26th, I have no doubt Doctor Morse, who teaches the Class would cheerfully give a portion of the time to a talk to the men about Alaska. If this is impossible, I would suggest that you correspond with Doctor George D. Pe, superintendent of the Medical Missionary Training School, No. 118 East 45th Street and arrange with him to meet the students there, all of whom are looking forward to work as medical missionaries.

Very truly yours,
James McConaughy.
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Hydah Mission, Jackson, Alaska.
February 14, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

I have written a letter East (to the Board) to you but will also send a line to Sitka not knowing when you expect to return. It is in reference to Nellie Miller. I was so sorry when I heard you had or was about starting east with Indian children for I think Nellie ought to have the opportunities that the others have to fit her for a teacher. You will remember her; she is a bright smart girl, very good looking; is 14 years old. When I thought perhaps there might yet be arrangements made for her to be sent to Mr.Moody's school where the other girls are. Please let me know at once.

Yours truly,
A.E.McFarland.

Newark, N.J., February 14,1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson
Dear Sir

Yours of the 11th is at hand also the papers. There were 11 subscriptions and only 10 papers. I thought perhaps you had exhausted your supply. If you have lost the list of names, I will send you one.

I enclose check for five dollars ($5.00) donation to the Alaska work, from Miss Helen Burnet. Also please find the list here for the 5 subscriptions.

Yours sincerely,
William M.Berry.

32 Wright Street.

CHILDREN'S MISSIONARY ADVOCATE.
415 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.
February 15, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Friend:

As you cannot be with us at the Missionary Conference we must conclude it is providential, and trust that much interest will be awakened for the Indians through an address by Mrs.Emma[illegible] Tuttle who did such a wonderful work among the Indians (Madora). I feel that the Society of Friends is under a special obligation to the Indians because of our historic record. From the days of Penn they have trusted us, and now we owe them a great spiritual debt, which we cannot in justice decline to pay.

I should be truly glad to meet you in Chicago and so would one or two others of influence in our work, and live

in this city or its suburbs but it would not compensate you to turn aside for so few. I am spending the winter in a suburban town which makes it difficult to meet city appointments. Then I have almost no spare time just now while serving as chairman of programme committee for Conference. I trust the time may come when it will be made quite plain to us what we ought to do for Alaska.

If you are free to tell me your estimate of Mr.Masner's qualifications for his present position, I should be greatly obliged and will not make a wrong use of your confidence. If he is an incompetent man, the money contributed for the Mission will be to some extent wasted. If he is capable of laying foundations wisely, I want to know it, that I may not do him injustice by withholding the support of the Advocate from his work.

Yours for the cause of Missions
Heather F.Pritchard.

[illegible] St. James Place, Brooklyn.
February 13, 1885.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
1125 Hanover St., Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Friend:

I received yours of the 12th inst with plans of the Mission Building at "Haines" Alaska - enclosed. Please accept many thanks for the same.

Mr.Fee made a copy of them and I will return yours. We shall be glad to see you on the 20th or 23rd, the latter date is the day for our regular meeting. Any thing we will want to know them - now, if any changes has been made in the hospital building. This will help us decide what furniture to send beside the beds; these have been sent but had not reached Portland when we last heard from Mr.Watson. They were probably delayed by the recent storms. I hope Mrs. Jackson is improving. Please give her my love, also remember me to your daughters.

Yours in Christ,
Cornelia F.Fee.

Princeton, N.J., February 15,'85

My dear Doctor Jackson:

I am glad you will visit Princeton again. Mr.Young of the Seminary has seen me and made arrangements thereby in accordance,with your desire you shall occupy the pulpit Sunday morning, February 22, in my church. I am very sorry that I had made arrangements two weeks ago, arrangements which cannot well be altered, to be absent that Sabbath, but some

one of the clerical Professors will attend to the courtesies of the occasion in my place.

Your coming is opportune. Last Fall in response to the annual request of my ladies the Home Mission Board sent the name of Reverend Mr. Gould and family for our Missionary box Inquiry revealed that there would be no steamer by which freight could go until next summer so the ladies sent some remembrances by mail and something over $100.00 in money to Reverend and Mrs. Gould. In their acknowledgement of this gift they spoke at length of the needs of their school and the ladies have decided to send the box any way this summer. Some twenty of them have had the first meeting at the parsonage this afternoon to make up the articles desired and they will meet regularly from now until April when the box must go. I knew you would like to know this and anything you may say as to the work among the Alaskan Indians and especially at Unalaska will bear immediate fruit.

Yours fraternally,
Louis F. Mudge.

CHURCH HISTORIAN.
Albert Lea, Minnesota.
February 17, 1908.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I am delaying my Historical sketch of Winona Presbytery in the hope of receiving soon some account from your own pen of your own labors in this region. Will you kindly lend yourself down to the task at your earliest convenience? No history of this Presbytery will be complete with Doctor Jackson left out.

Yours very truly,
H.T.Roberts.

Washington, D.C., February 17th

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Perhaps you will remember addressing a Young People's Home Mission Society at my home last spring in the interests of Alaska? We have two Home Mission Societies in our church (Waugh M.E.) and they have taken their special work the Alaskan work. The first week in March we hold our business meeting and I wish very much to get the ladies a little more interested and I thought if You would kindly give me a few facts in regard to the present prospect of erecting the Jenne Lee Home at Unalaska it would be the most interesting to

them. We have recieved some money by circulation of the " Jesse Lee Autograph Books."

Now I do not wish to trespass on your time but if you could spare a few moments to write me what the prospect is in regard to getting a missionary there and any facts in regards to the building of the "Home" I would be very grateful to you. Will Reverend P.Arms go out there in the spring.

Respectfully,
Miss Lena V.Ferm.

705 Mass Ave., N.W.

Philipsburg, Pa.,
February 17, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

My dear Brother:

I have just learned that you are in Carlisle, and that you could be with us, to observe our people, on next Wednesday or Thursday. I will be glad indeed to have you come on Wednesday, the 22nd, 7 P.M. I will announce tomorrow. Please let me know if you can be here.

I am,
Respectfully,
W.S.McCorvell.

SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS.
53 Fifth Ave., New York.
February 18, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Carlisle, Pa.,

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Please accept thanks for your article on mission work in Alaska. I showed it to Doctor Marshall as I promised you that I would and by the will that I should make such extracts from it as bore upon our work and I have accordingly done so. I omitted however [illegible] because I already had an article [illegible] by Mrs.Walker, which covered the same ground. You will understand therefore why all which you wrote does not appear in print. I should have been glad to have sent the proof to you at Carlisle but a delay in receiving it from the printer and the necessity for immediate publication in completed form prevented this.

Please find enclosed the Alaskan views which you kindly promised to locate.

I hope that you found Mrs.Jackson much improved on your last visit. Am I right in supposing that she is with you now at Carlisle? If so, say to her please how glad I should be to meet her again and how earnestly I wish this world

were not such a busy place, especially my little corner of it, that I might not be prevented from the longed for social communion with my friends. I hope Mrs.Jackson will be in New York and that I may have a comfortable little visit with her very soon.

Very truly yours,
(Mrs.F.J.) E.F.Finks, Sec.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
Salem, Mass.,
February 15, 1886.

Reverend Doctor Jackson:
Dear Brother:

I am so confounded by Commissioner Dawson's reply to my letter as him that I can only ask of you for an explanation.

When Mr.Ames came here so unexpectedly and wanted a decision from Brother Ames your letter from Clifton Springs was not at hand. Before I had carefully read what I wrote in this connection I sent it to Brother Ames that he might be better able to make a wise decision as to the future. I had an idea that's to reach you - besides I felt I must have decision from headquarters by Thursday as Wrain the directly what I had to you knew a right to say may more I had a right to say that you had assured me for the last two years we could let him go. I must stop to read to learn the precise phraseology used in your letters but it amounted to saying that he was not only approved by you but by the Commission. Also how could you say to write on August 31st, 1885. Could he have left and reached there as soon he would few if he was not appointed by you nor by the Commission so he says you assure him. How could you have taken him? At that time you were fresh, he took Brother Ames' place at Unalaska simply because he would not comply with the necessities of the case in alignment of his grade, as you told me A failure on his part not yours. Now if all this and much more is not equivalent to "a approval and appointment" what does it mean? I am satisfied there words are used but if so or not the facts amount to the same thing. I did not wish to say positively that you had so assured me subsequently, I said "If I rightly understood you" as you now if he showed you my letter - he said he "referred it to you"; that you said you had not appointed Mr.Ames as a teacher to Alaska; that there was no vacancy to which he could be appointed; that his services were not needed! Before you leave the States will you please explain this also tell me what I am to do. I begun this work, have carried it on until there is a greater degree of enthusiasm now than ever before, to raise the money all under your positive assurance of Brother

Ames' appointment and for more than a year that he was appointed I have as you know so reported and report published According to Dawson you repudiate all this. I have your letter for it but do not want to go back on you to our Society nor to Dawson to substantiate my statements but what am I to do? You must in some way put him through or tell me what to do. I leave the responsibility with you.

Now another thing. You asked me to find someone who could furnish specified testimonials to take Brother Carr's place; adding that "I fear Mr.Ames cannot finish there. This was surprising to me after he had been approved over nearly two years I think and as I inferred whether in so many words or not that he was "appointed" and only waiting for appropriation equal to demands. In a day or two received an application from one who seems to meet these requirements. As Brother Ames or rather Mrs.Ames had not fully decided to go to Unga I thought it best to see what he could furnish and so told him what was needed and to send all to me soon as possible - hoping for you to see some before leaving. He is a graduate of some Pennsylvania College Seminary which "Methodist Islands at head of his list of places where urgently needed." This would make three places for Methodists Unalaska which heads Dawson list. Unga and Kalkarfary would need him even if Arms did not and more.

The whole thing is to me a mystery unless it is settled and fixed that Methodists are to be sent instead of Presbyterians. If so why you should have frankly told me so long ago. Why does he put these two and the very one you designated down so urgently needed. Please explain also inform me if my efforts for another will meet same treatment. Unless you tell me to the contrary I shall try at Washington to have this matter sifted down to the bottom. You are or were at the time a Government official and what you did they are bound to recognize.

Lest you say that we failed to meet the time let me say that until last spring you never told me you couldn't send him unless we provided a Home. This I proceeded to do at once soon as you said so. And will be ready to do so before appropriation is made. Besides I fail to see the necessity for that now as you wrote April 11, that Government (Dawson said) could not carry on both educational and industrial work. So the latter is of course not a requisite nor in order to have Mr.Arms sent as teacher.

Again I ask for <u>full</u> explanation before you go.

Yours for Christ and humanity,

Mrs.M.L.Baggett.Sec. A.

Pardon all errors and blurs as I am too nearly sick to do better. Arms was away and did not receive call to Boston Thursday. Cant come on the 28th so I may get your answer in time.

Princeton, N.J.,
February 21, 1888.

My dear Mr.Jackson:
I am very glad that you are intending to come to Princeton and we shall be most happy to have you stay with us next Sunday. I only regret that my ladies class cannot have the opportunity of asking you some questions.
Hoping to see you soon I am
Yours sincerely,
Mary K.Libbey.

Garrett, Indiana.
February 23, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Sir:
Yours letter came last night, and was very welcome indeed.
I shall today write to Mrs.Harriet R.Walker about the place at Sitka, as you advised me to do. Allow me to thank you very much in sending me your pamphlet on Alaska. It gives me a very nice description of the country and its inhabitants. My Chicago address is the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road passenger depot, at the foot of Monroe street, on the lake front. I hope that I can manage to meet you when you arrive. I can probably arrange matters so as to be there most any day of the week except Tuesdays and Fridays, if you can let me know beforehand when you expect to be there. If you intend to stop over in town in Chicago, send me your address and I will call on you.
I was told by a friend, Rector Chester, that the person going to fill the position must be before long. I can go on a notice of about two weeks but the young lady who is to be my wife would require a longer time to get ready. She is a teacher in the Sabbath School of Rector Chester's church and would probably like to do missionary work if she could. I suppose that if I should be appointed to that place it would be a consideration of my staying for a certain length of time.
I now think more than ever that I should like the position very much after having read your letter and the pamphlet on Alaska. I have talked it over with my proposed wife (Miss Louise Jones) and we have made up our mind to go, provided I am appointed to fill the position. You may perhaps notice a slight difference in the handwriting of this letter from the other one, but at the time that was written, I was not feeling well and had a friend write for me.
Very sincerely yours,
H.H.Benning, M.D.

Juneau, Alaska.
February 22, 1888.

Doctor Jackson:
Dear Brother:

I am going to write a note at a venture as I do not know where to find you, hoping it may be forwarded to your address. I wrote something about sending in a bill of $40. for wood and saw mill as I heard nothing from that suppose it did not reach you.

We end in these parts unless here you are or where you are As for us we are all here and at work. The church is flourishing. There are several who wish to join us at our next Communion. Many have left for other lands; some have died. Mrs. Church is not expected to live more than a few days. Many sent about 200 children to Sitka; here if here who will not go at least not yet. There are starting to come to us and more will soon be sent on to the Industrial School. The Board of course provides for the Home (which is the main stay in the Indian work). The building is not paid for, however. We need just $1000.00 more to pay for this building and finish a much needed. I asked the Board some time ago for $1000. towards a building but Dr. Jackson says as Uncle they cannot undertake it this year. We thought it be able to raise what was needed over that ourselves. But as nothing yet has been done on either side I have been thinking it would be better to make up an estimate of the whole building now started as we need it to forward to Board.

Kindest regards to all,
Fraternally,
Thomas S. Willard.

Hartford, Conn.
4 Winthrop St.,
February 23, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I hope soon to have all arrangements completed for a meeting on Monday evening, at eight o'clock, in the chapel of the central church (Doctor Walker, Pastor) Pearl St.

I suppose your address will be upon Alaska and the Aleutians.

I have been notified by the Secretary of the section of the New York Association and will have both steamer ready for you on your arrival.

Very truly yours,

Sara T. Kinney.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING SCHOOL.
Sitka, Alaska.
February 23, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
My dear Sir:

It was impossible for Mr.Ormrand to give me a bill of lumber on this steamer. His health is still failing; the bill will go on next steamer.

Our most urgent need is a new washhouse, etc.

I had expected to buy a boat here but the advertised sale was postponed. I have sent to Mr.Vanderbeek for a bid.

Kindly yours,
W.A.Kelly.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING SCHOOL.
Sitka, Alaska.
February 24, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Sir:

Please remember that our greatest and most urgent need is a new washhouse with bathroom appliances.

We are greatly troubled for want of a convenient way to have plenty of warm water.

Please talk with Mr.Vanderbeek and tell us something that will work here.

Most respectfully,
W.A.Kelly.

To have Mrs.Harding here is a serious misfortune besides being ill most of the time she is the most quarrelsome lady it has been my misfortune to have anything to do with.

She has gone to Juneau for a visit and for the good of the Mission I hope she may never return.

W.A.K.

Northfield, Mass., February 24.

My dear Brother:

I am just now in receipt of yours of the 13th and write hastily to say that it will be a pleasure to my wife and myself to have you as our guest and wish it might be for a longer visit.

Faithfully yours,
S.F.Chamberlain.

P.S.Please bring me any printed reports of Carlisle school which may be had.

S.F.C.

Princeton, N.J.,
February 25, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:

My dear Sir:

We have had such experiance of your good nature as well as your working power that we have presumed to make several appointments for you tomorrow. Doctor Hodge has asked me in his absence to ask you in the Morning service. I will call at Professor Libby's a few minutes before li o'clock and will take such part of the devotional services as you wish. We hope to hear you from twenty to thirty minutes at the Conference in the afternoon (4 o'clock) at the oratory. Mr. Young claims you for the students Missionary meeting at 6.15 and Mr. Whitsale for the evening. Some yoare have elapsed since you last visited here and you will find eager listeners. I hope that you will be able to gratify us by giving us something at the time and places appointed. Very few will hear you at all of them, and you must have quite a quantity of topics that you can draw upon.

I hope that we have not presumed too far.

Yours very truly,
Charles A. Allen.

Princeton, N.J.
February 26, 1888.

Dear Sir:

Please accept the enclosed contributions for the Hospital so urgently needed and believe me

Yours sincerely,
Maria T. Morris.

Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Aurora, New York.
February 27, 1888.

Dear Brother Jackson:

On Thursday evening last, my young people gave a tea-party for the purpose of assisting you in getting your steam laundry for the Sitka school. The party was a success in every way and they will clear about seventy dollars. What had they better do, send you what they have now, or wait until they raise the rest and send to you at Sitka. I think you will always be remembered by the people here and they will take an interest in your work as they have never done before. When do you start?

I do not expect to see you again before next winter. May the Lord go with you and abundantly prosper you in your grand work, is the prayer of your brother,

In Christ Jesus,
J. T. Wills.

P.S. My kind regards to Mrs.Jackson.

February 27, 1888.

I see by some of the papers that some of the people of Alaska are sending petitions to Congress opposing the establishment of a territorial government in Alaska. Do these petitions come from the Missionaries or their enemies? If we knew which side to work on perhaps we could help just a little by influencing one M.C.

Address:
Mrs.F.L.Heath,
Norfolk, Conn.

[illegible] ASSOCIATION.
Hartford, Conn.,
February 27, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

After all, I think I'll have to send you two cheques - you can put them into one if you like. I forgot to tell you that I drew the first cheque some time ago - when I expected you in January - and it is entered up on the books for that month.

So it seems easier to get a second draft rather than change the record. Your Alaska address is Sitka - is it not? I'll send the blank mortgages [illegible].

I have a letter from Mount [illegible] this morning. You remember I spoke to you about General Armstrong's wish that I should go to Washington. The trouble is that the Commissioner has been asked to close Hampton to Indians.

Susan wants to meet the Commissioner, the House Committee on Indian Affairs and others. She spoke as though nothing was to be said about the matter quite yet - publicly I mean. Isn't this the thousand years we read about in the Bible when the Devil is loosed, etc.,etc?

Many thanks for your visit here last evening. I will send you a paper with notice

Very truly yours,
Sara T.Kinney

WOMAN'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS.
53 Fifth Ave., New York.
March 2, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D. Care Rev.Dr.Norcross,Pa.

My dear Sir:

One very important matter escaped me during your hurried visit here.

The Committee desire to learn if it is practicable for Mr.Gould to be the Delegate to the General Assembly from Alaska. We are writing Mrs.Gould to come on at that time at our expense, as she has been so long upon the field that she is entitled to her expenses and travelling expenses to and from her former home. We hope the Presbytery will send Mr. Gould also. Can you help us in this?

I send my letter on to Mr.Watkins hoping that he may find some opportunity to get it to Fort Wrangel before April but even that will avail nothing if no one runs over to the Hydah Mission.

How often do the steamers run now to Sitka and Fort Wrangel? I suppose the mail goes but once a month as usual?

I will try to send the plans on to Carlisle to-day. Our copies are made.

Very sincerely,
[Mrs.H.P.] F.F.Walker, Sec.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Education.
Washington, D.C.,
March 3, 1886.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
105 South Hanover St.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I have received your two favors of yesterday. I refer your letter in regard to the organization of the Territory of Alaska to Governor Swineford. The Committee will make a report tomorrow, as I am informed, upon several bills which have been referred to it for the organization of the Territory. I presume the matter to which you refer will be properly guarded, and even if it is not, I think the title of the Mission to the lands selected by it will be respected under the general land laws.

I notice that you will leave Portland by the steamer that sails on the 15th. I hope you will find things in good condition in Alaska.

Very truly yours,
J.K.M.Dennis.

Carlisle, Pa.

THE CHAUTAUQUAN.
Meadville, Pa., March 3,1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Brother:

Your article on the "Cargo of School teachers" is here. I am delighted with it. You give information and flavor and arouse interest in Alaska's behalf in a wonderful way.

I send enclosed your check. I shall hope to receive the article on British Columbia as soon as possible.

I hope these articles will accomplish something for Alaska as well as for The Chautauquan.

Very sincerely yours,
T.H.Vincent.

BOARD OF [illegible].
New York, N.Y.March 5, 1888.

Dear Brother Jackson:

Mrs.Kendall wants you to bring her a skin or skins "totem" such as you brought down from Alaska the last time.

She is troubled about making you advance the money for it - if you can tell me how much to pay for it or how I would send it to you in advance. Are you not coming this way again before you get off? For I hear you are yet at Carlisle.

Will Sexton are here drumming up seniors. Wood and Adams and Fleming are coming soon.

N.B. Mrs.Kendall is dissatisfied with my style of expression and says she will have you to bring it.

She would prize also any curiosities from Siberia or Kamschatka or wherever else you may go this summer. Slip a young seal in your pocket for her, for instance. Give our love to Mrs.Jackson and the daughters.

Yours truly,
H.Kendall.

P.S. One thing more she begs and that you will not ship anything to her by the way of the Mediterranean. She remembers the tea-pot (Russian).

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
of
The Presbyterian Church in the United States.
53 Fifth Avenue, New York.
March 3, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:
The Board at its late meeting granted your request for the five houses for the native pupils educated in your schools.
The lease or contract has not yet been examined and we will have it, and if right will forward it to you. Meanwhile, you may make whatever other arrangements are necessary in the survey of land etc.
You were also granted an agreement for $1200., which you will receive in due time from the Board.
We have not received any vouchers for the quarter ending January 2, 1***. We do not know why Mr.Kelly has not sent them. I will write him about it, but I wish you would impress it upon him - the necessity of sending the vouchers immediately when they become due. Another quarter will be due April 1, probably about the time when you receive this letter. Fix up his affairs and have him send them on.
The Board also granted a vacancy of teacher is to be sent up from the Yukon mill, but of this later. Mr.Eaton will write you more fully.

Yours truly,
[illegible]
Recording Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
Bureau of Education.
General Agent of Education in Alaska.
Carlisle, Pa., March 2,1***.

To Senators Burrell, Mantzenau and Mitchell
To Members Breckinridge and Lyons.

I notice that a bill (H.R.6578) has been introduced into the House and I understand will be favorably reported by the Committee on Territories giving Alaska a full Territorial government. It may be well to extend the land laws over the country and allow a delegate in Congress, but at present a legislative council seems neither practicable nor desirable. And I believe that this is the almost unanimous feeling of the better class of people in that region.
If however it is probable that the Bill will be pushed through Congress the following Amendments should be made. See lines 3 & 6 Sec 4, Page 3 (H.R.6578). Change Wrangell to Kodiak and Unga to Unalaska. As the Bill stands 3 of the 4 courts are in one small corner of the Territory.
Line 22, Page 6, after "Russo-Greek Church" insert Lines 17 to 25 inclusive. Sec 1, Page 2, H.R.Bill 6645.
(This is the clause which gives Missionary bodies a title to the land which they have improved and upon which they have erected their buildings. This was done by Congress

when Oregon and Washington were erected into Territories.)

Line 6, Sec 9, Page 8, should be stricken out. It practically gives the Governor 3 votes out of ten. Entirely too much power in one man's hands, especially when you remember the character of the men usually placed in such positions. If convenient please look after the amendments of the the Bill before it gets through the Committee of the whole. Unless necessary, I would prefer that my name should not be mentioned in this connection, as it is not wise patently to antagonize the Governor, who is trying to push the Bill through.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson.

Northfield, Mass., March 4,1886

Dear Doctor:

Think you for the Report and the photos received yesterday.

I want to ask you about Miss's uniting with a church here if she should feel inclined. If she is a Christian, as I am sure she is, it seems as if she ought to be identified with some body of believers and I am not quite sure that you wish in that respect.

Please advise me.

Yours sincerely,
A.T.Pattle.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.
OF
The Presbyterian Church in the United States.
53 Fifth ave., New York.
March 6, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Brother:

I supposed you had gone to Alaska and I have sent a letter for you there directed to Sitka.

The Board took favorable action both in regard to yourself and the boys homes. You were appointed for twelve months at a salary of $1200.

The Board took charge of the lands and the boys homes in the way you wanted. The lease you left with us has not yet been examined, but it will be and you will be advised about it.

Doctor Fenning was commissioned at a salary of $1200.

Very truly,

C.J. Boyd,
Recording Secretary.

2 West Fifty-Second St., New York.
March 5, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I will send the money to Miss Willis this week, but am not quite prepared to forward you the $1.50. you refer to in your letter - as I have been greatly overtaxed by calls for assistance in so many directions lately and your unexpected surprise took me quite by surprise.

I am glad to hear that the children at Northfield were doing and looked so well, and will hope to hear from each one of them occasionally.

I hope you will have a pleasant trip back to Alaska, and will write you again before long.

With kind regards from us all.

Very truly yours,
Margaret W. Thayer.

Commercial Inn, New York.
March 9, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir:

Since you spoke to our pupils of Alaska several people have spoken to me in regard to starting an Alaskan band of boys of from ten to fifteen or sixteen years of age. Our girls have a Persia band so that if we do anything for Alaska it must be through its boys, and today one the brightest of the little fellows came to see me about it. They seem to wish me to take charge of it but before proceeding, I wish to consult you about it - as to the best to obtain to proceed. I am a physician and received my education in Ann Arbor, Mich. In the family school there a scholarship was held, and I became quite interested in the boy Frank whom they were educating, but we can not do as much as that. Could we unite with other schools in holding or sustaining a scholarship? If so, can you tell us that amount? Please send any information that will help people who know absolutely nothing about the way in which to proceed to set to work and I will faithfully do my best to assist and guide these boys. If they could assist with some one boy and could occasionally hear from him and of his progress, I believe it would serve to keep them interested and help each of them by the consciousness that they were doing good to a fellow being. The only apology I offer for this long letter is that women have not learned the art of brevity.

Sincerely yours,
Kate Calloway.

BALTIMORE AND OHIO EMPLOYEES RELIEF ASSOCIATION.
Garrett, Indiana.
March 6, 1892.

Doctor Jackson,
Dear Sir:

I have neglected answering your last letter till now; I thought that probably you would leave Carlisle before I could get a letter to you. Not having heard from you relative to meeting you in Chicago, I have decided that I would better write and let you know that I received your last letter. I wrote to Mrs. Walker and received a reply from Mrs. Finke and I have also answered it. I think I could be ready to start by the middle of next month, if it is decided that I shall go. I will endeavor to meet you when you desire in Chicago.

Very sincerely yours,
E.E. Hamilton, M.D.

Cincinnati, Ohio,
March 6, 1892.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Brother:

I acknowledge with thanks the receipt of two copies of the history of the Presbytery of Athens, and also your receipt of the Commission for yourself as delegate to the next General Assembly.

I am glad to hear that you visited old Princeton last Sabbath. I expect to revisit the place again before long. I have very pleasant memories of my sojourn there, and shall always bear my alma mater near my heart as I know you do.

Wishing you great success in your arduous work, and rejoicing in the abilities which you possess for it, I am as ever,

Cordially yours,
W.J. Roberts

P.S. Hope your alternate is an friendly to me as are you. I shall be glad to meet him, if you cannot come yourself. I would rejoice could you be there. W.J. Perhaps I may return to Princeton, who knows? Would you all such a convention?

[illegible] First St., N.E.,
Washington, D.C.,
March 7, 1892.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Carlisle, Pa.
Dear Sir:

Your letter and other papers to Doctor Henning and our daughter were delivered at my house to day by Doctor Chester.

Doctor Henning is in Chicago and we do not know when he will be here or how soon he will resign his position there on receiving word of his appointment to Sitka. Your letter will be forwarded to him by tonight's mail.

Our address is given you at the head of this sheet. If you are in Washington before you go please call.

The pamphlet which you recently referred to and a copy of which you sent me, has been mislaid, but I will send to the Department or another copy. I mean "Education in Alaska, 1888.

Yours truly,
Thomas G.Jones.

Albany, Oregon, March 8,1888.

Dear Brother:

I wish to call the attention of the people of your charge and community to the Albany Institute. If I had a list of the names of the leading persons, and of any who ought to know of our endeavors in educational work, I would send to them circulars and papers containing facts concerning our institution and its needs and prospects.

Will you kindly favor me with a full list of names? You will, in this way, help to make our school better known.

Fraternally yours,
Elbert H.Sandit.

ETHNOLOGICAL AND NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY.
Sussex St., Ottawa.
March 8, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Your note of March 3rd was been forwarded to me by Sir William Dawson. The report to which you refer being by me. I have much pleasure in sending you a copy of the volume containing it; you will find that Mr.J.J.Elliott has availed himself fully of my notes on Haida in his book published about eighteen months ago merely transferring sentences from Queen Charlotte and Prince of Wales Islands to bring them within the territorial limit of his work. I thought it necessary to call attention to this when his book first appears. I send also a copy of a paper by myself on the Klakivol people which I have just received.

Yours truly,
George M.Dawson.

Aurora, New York.
March 6, 1883.

Doctor Jackson:
Dear Friend:
Enclosed please find draft for eighty dollars. We wish we could have made it one hundred dollars but we find it impossible at present. The remaining twenty will be sent you as soon as we can conveniently.
With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,
Estelle C.Doughty.

Sitka, Alaska., March 5,1883.

Dear Doctor Jackson:
Here are the testimonials of one man of whom I spoke to you as having letter from a Congregational minister. My hopes were confirmed. He has joined that because no Methodist Church in place, but had taken letter to N.H. before he wrote me. His wife is a daughter of a Methodist minister! No better stock!
Now please answer his letter stating your views as to the outlook for future. I want him. Surely we need six further such better grandchildren than these. And perhaps can procure appointment except ---- Let me know last day you stay in States and where last Post Office address. I have two ministers who are considering it and securing testimonials which I would like you to take along with you. One of them, I fear cant go anyway as a child needs much attention! The other if approved may take Brother Amos' place if he decides to take a hint in hand instead of waiting for that in bush.
The pictures came safely for which please accept thanks and say what taxing I might send. If you think it is practicable to give me names of the teachers who took them I'd like it as soon you can attend to learning if he would take 1/2 dozen for me.
Please dont forget to tell last Post Office and latest date.

Mrs.L.F.Powell.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.
Clarion, Pa., March 10, 1883.

Dear Doctor Jackson:
I learn that Miss Powell will leave Sitka next June. We expect to have twelve graduates, some of whom have had some years of successful experience as teachers. Can you not let us furnish you such teachers as you may need in Alaska? I think I understand what kind are needed. Those

whom I recommended here, with one exception proven faithful and efficient and the exception was not my own selection but was recommended to me by others.

Some of our class this year taught under me when I was County Superintendent and I have now had them with me almost two years as students and pupil-teachers, so that I think I can form a pretty accurate estimate of their worth.

Have you learned anything further about the contemplated resignation of the Governor?

With kindest regards for Mrs. Jackson, I remain,

Truly yours friend,

A.J.Davis.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
Bureau of Education.
Sitka, Alaska,
March 18, 1908.

Mr.J.H.Johnstay,
Juneau, Alaska.

Sir:

Yours of the 11th of February is received. Your bill for salary has not yet been received. I send you some blanks. As soon as your vouchers (triplicate) are received in due form, I will bring it at once before the Board of Education for auditing.

Whereas as an accommodation to you I have taken the extra work of making out your bills for you, but as it is no part of my work, it will hereafter be left to you. I enclose you what blanks I have with your signature.

It is too bad that you have had to wait so long for your pay but you are the victim of a false system. The auditing of salaries should not be given to the Board. Whenever the salary is fixed by the Board that should be the end of it, and then payments could be made upon receiption of quarterly reports.

I tried to have the salaries audited the middle of last November but as the quarter was not out until the close of the month the other members of the Board would not vote them. I have tried at different times to have your Killisnoo account audited, but the other members of the Board did not think about it as I did, and that account is still standing. I am not responsible for your not being paid, however much you may think I am.

Isn't it a little strange that you are the only teacher that has made complaint and the only teacher in the three years of the schools that has so far forgotten themselves as to write a disrespectful letter.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent.

Garrett, Indiana.
March 12, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter of appointment came last Friday through Miss Jones. I must first thank you for the appointment and only hope that I shall prove worthy of the position - at any rate I shall do my best to fill the place. I and Miss Jones accept the place for me/ and she reserves the decision as to whether she will accept the position or not until we get to Sitka. I shall be very to accept the kind offer of Captain Pratt and will endeavor to go there on my way to Sitka. Mr.Jones' address is [illegible] First St.,S.E., Washington, D.C. I have found out that a steamer leaves for Sitka from Puget Sound on May 5th or 7th and also April 24. The latter named we will be hardly able to take as Miss Jones requires some time in order to prepare herself in the clothing line. Well, I suppose we shall surely take the steamer that leaves the 6th of May. I should have answered this letter sooner had I had time, but have been very busy ever since it came.

Very sincerely yours,
H.K.Fowler, M.D.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington D.C.,
March 14, 1888.

My dear Sir:

Yours enclosing me the remonstrance against the admission of Utah as a state while the Territory is under the control of the Priesthood and the law against Polygamy are disobeyed has been received. I will present the remonstrance being in accord with it and refer it to the Committee on Territories.

I am very Respectfully,
Charles O'Neil.

COPY. -- Associated Press.

REVEREND SHELDON JACKSON DROWNED.

Victoria, B.C., March 13. --Intelligence has been received here of the drowning in the Skirmm River, Alaskam of Reverend Mr.Sheldon, Mrs.Cunningham and two Indians. Particulars have not yet been received. It is thought the minister referred to is Reverend Sheldon Jackson, the noted Indian missionary, in charge of the Indian schools of Alaska under direction of the government.

Dear Sir:

Above came in last night's paper. I have been within

an inch of pneumonia a week or more, as the physician says. My rest was broken all night by this. All I could do was to accuse Government of causing your death. Not hearing from you I had decided you must have gone and this was the result. Telegram a great relief!

I must not write more as the Doctor says perfect rest or long sickness. Dont want me to stay in sight of my writing table.

When do you go?

(signed) Mrs.L.M.Bagwell.
Secretary of Alaska Department of Methodist Woman's Home Mission Society.

Sent leaflets to Alaska when I decided you cannot be gone.

U.S.S.Dale.
Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.
March 13,1908.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent of Education in Alaska,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

As you request I wrote to Lieutenant Commander Emory in the best terms I could of your work, of the assistance invariably given you by previous naval officers, of the high character of those advising you at home and your desire that he might regard your work favorably.

I also mentioned the unmerited opposition you have had, to your great personal inconvenience and distress and the desirability of the good will of some in the Territory of high character and influential position.

I would advise you, if you have not already done so, to obtain letters from some high official source in Washington where Mr.Emory stands high socially and officially as such letters would be more weighty in his mind than any amount of official commendation. If you have mutual personal friends there a letter from one of great influence would be desirable, of course.

I think however if you explain fully to him at least as soon as you meet him, your position that you will secure his good will. Lieutenant Commander Bagwell and Mrs.Bagwell, if you know them, could greatly aid you as their good judgment and character are well known. I believe they are strong friends of my wife's family. I trust Mrs.Jackson has quite recovered.

With best wishes for your voyage,

I am yours very truly,
J. H. Ayers, Surgeon.

P.S. Lieutenant Commander Nichols, if he is a friend of yours - and I have heard that he is - could greatly assist

in dispelling any wrong impressions of you that may have been given Mr.Emory as I am quite sure that his statements would receive full credence.

Danville,
March 15, 1898.

Dear Brother Jackson:

I am very sorry you could not be with us while East. Be sure to arrange for us in the autumn if you come on. I wanted specially to interest Mrs.Chamberlain and Mrs.Geisinger of our church in the work there. Mrs.Geisinger has recently given me $250. for the support of Ville Paul and will continue this as a yearly gift. I want her to go to Alaska and visit her and she thinks favorably of the idea. Will you please write me on receipt of this and give me all the information you have about summer trips to this Northland, probable expense etc, etc. I wish she would feel pressured to take me along (which financially speaking she could easily do) and I would make a call on you provided you consent to stay long enough in one place. I fear there are too many provisos in this matter anyway.

We are both quite well. From present appearances our special centenary contributions will be something over $1500 while our ordinary offerings are larger than usual. We are both well. Write soon as possible.

Mrs.F.joins me in love and good wishes.

Yours in Christ,
H.L.Fleming.

P.S. Mrs. Geisinger is just beginning to realize her stewardship and the joy of liberal giving and I think it would do her good to visit Alaska. Am not certain whether Mrs.F. and family will go this season.

Whitesburg, Armstrong Co., Pa
March 15, 1898.

I have just received an item in the daily paper that Reverend Sheldon Jackson has been drowned in Alaska. I think that is a mistake as I understood Reverend Jackson was at his home in Carlisle. Please let me hear from you as I would like to get the correct truth as soon as possible.

J.A.Kelly.

I am a brother of Mr.Kelly of Alaska.

Ottawa, June 18,
GEOLOGICAL AND NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY, of Canada
Museum and Office, Sussex St.,
March 16, 1888.

Dear Sir:

I beg to thank you for the copy of your report which will no doubt arrive in due course. I send with this three pamphlets on British Columbia which may interest you and shall be very glad to supply publications from time to time which may touch on your region.

I hope that the Alaskan Society of Ethnology and Natural History may prosper. It has an ample field. I should be very glad to be associated with the Society in any way you may propose.

I make a long journey on the Yukon next winter last summer of which I may be able to send you a preliminary report in a few days.

Yours truly,
George M.Dawson.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS,
OF
The Presbyterian Church of the United States.
56 Fifth Avenue, New York.
March 19, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I have to-day written Mr.Talbot giving an order for the teacher you wish sent from Metlakahtla to Wrangel ($10,000) four full months (June) and (July) ($100) for her services.

Please arrange with Mr.[illegible] to send a schooner for you in time to meet your letter from Mr.Talbot that you desire to employ.

This morning we learned of your death by drowning on the 20th of February last. The obituary notice was rather brief showing that the persons who prepared it were not very well acquainted with their subjects. If I can get a copy of the notice I will send it to you. It is often that one has the pleasure of reading his own obituary notice.

Yours very truly,
C.D.Mahon, Treasurer.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL,
Clarion, Pa., March 20, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Rec'd 4.

The map came last Saturday on the same day I received your letter from Chicago.

I sent you data concerning myself immediately on receipt of your letter requesting me to do so. Should it fail to reach you, please advise me of the fact at once on receipt of this letter and I will promptly forward another statement. If you resign I should still be very glad to have you remain in Alaska, or visit it occasionally in some capacity. You are indispensable to the country.

Your friend,
A.J.Davis.

McAlahalis, Alaska,
April 4, 1898.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your note written on board the Idaho was to hand yesterday.

We were all very glad to learn of your safe arrival back to Alaska and to learn too that we are to have the pleasure of a visit from you soon. We shall hope to have a canoe waiting at Tenge Narrows for you on the arrival of next Angoon from Sitka.

Though many of our people are away hunting and trapping yet those of us at home will I am sure give you a very hearty welcome.

I note what you say about the box of curios at Port Simpson addressed to you, and will remember to have them brought here at first opportunity.

Yours very sincerely,
S.Davis.

Portland, Oregon.
April 2, 1898.

Sheldon Jackson, Esq.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

We forward your ship.Stellarfy freight to-day. We also send a smoke stack which we think you may need although it does not come with those boilers. We have no charge for it.

The price of the Iron Roofing of which you wrote yesterday is $7.. per square.

Yours very truly,
A.F.Hillrich.
Manager.

West Point, New York.
April 6, 1888.

The enclosed is for the Alaska mission with which Reverend Sheldon Jackson is connected to be applied as he thinks best.

Anna F.Werner.

UNION LINE
Port Wrangel, Alaska.
April 7, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Sir:

I write this in case the steamer comes in at night and we can not see you. I expect you know how things are run here better than I can tell you and just how pleasant Mrs.Young can make things. I do believe there is not a happy one connected with the school. It is the hardest place to live a true Christian life I ever saw. And I honest see that we are doing any great good here and it is out of our power to change the principal on which things are run. One cannot depend on any revelation for it is changed to suit every passing whim. It is indeed very fortunate that Mr. Lake and I are not troubled with being sensitive - those that are are worries the very life out of. Now Doctor, what we want to know is this: Can you secure us situations in Sitka. In the school? We could come most any time but would prefer staying here until the last of June. There was no restraint about how long we should stay here but of course we wish to do what is right. As very much in hopes I can see you in person. Mr.Lake is away after a raft or he would see to this. If the steamer comes as I do not will you let us know what the projects are and all particulars you think of We look to you for advice as you know all about things and people in Alaska and we feel sure that your advice will be for our best interests.

Hoping to see you but if not to hear from you soon,
I am yours respectfully,
Clara Lake.

Address L.F.Lake and excuse paper and writing. I am in Miss Robinson's so I can write it before I went to my room.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
New York, April 7, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Reverend S.H.Young has written us asking us to have a small church built at Klawack for Reverend L.W.Currie to preach in. He says the school house is not available or

suitable at least, for a church. He suggests a building to cost $1000 or $1200.

Mr.Currie, as you know, is Government teacher, and has an agreement from us without salary as a Missionary.

We want information and advice from you on this matter. Would it do to buy the school-house from Mr.Currie? Or would it be better to build - if the Board would be warranted in so doing? If either, what expenditure would be warranted in so doing? If either, what expenditure would you advise? Or, shall the matter be left as it is?

Please give us advice and information.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,
William Irwin.

Mr.Young sends back Mr.Currie's agreement. We want see what right he had to do this - or what its purpose is, as no salary is asked, and no change in the agreement suggested.
W.I.

Washington, Kansas.
April 7, 1888.

Reverend Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Kind Sir:

I have a son that has been absent now seven years the last I heard was in Sacramento City, Cal.; he would be likely to go to the mines if in any way you could hear from him. I would be so thankful. And would pay you for your trouble; his name is Harry C.Parrish. Through the kindness of Reverend Mr.George Hepburn of Washington, Kansas, minister of the Presbyterian church at that place for your address.

Mrs.H.Parrish.

1701 Park Place, Baltimore, Md.
April 8, 1888.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

I was very anxious to speak to you on Tuesday night. I had an offering to present, that would touch your heart. On Sunday night in my own church (Second Ave.) I was accompanied by a dear Episcopal sister, Mrs.Welsh, who teaches the free kindergarten in this city. She told over on Monday to the little ones. What you has said of the hunger of the children for education and religion and asked if they could bring a penny to give. These children are from the poorest homes - often they get no breakfast - dinner is given them at the school. She told them to earn the penny by doing

errands, minding the baby, etc, etc and to do it for Jesus. The next day to her great surprise, 40 cents were brought for your children in Alaska - and to this she added $2.50 both offerings are Macedonian in their character, and make my fifty dollars seem very mean. Now, I shall send you these very pennies or change the whole into a check.

When George Whitfield came over to found his orphan house at Bethesda, near Savannah, he brought in a hotel, the collection just as it was taken up in Lady Huntingdon's chapel - English money - and for my part, I handle these 40 pennies reverently. They mean so much in the lives of those children, none of them over 6 or 7 years of age. If the boys will print a letter to them, it will be very nice or perhaps you might write them a letter in acknowledgment. The books will help Mrs.Walsh greatly in her practical teaching - and I am very glad to have it. Her address - the School - is 704 East Baltimore St. Thanks for your gracious apology to the ladies of our F.M.Society of Mound Church. As the President, I was obliged to attend meanwhile supposing you had given a wrong notice on Sunday night.

Yours in Christ's service,

Austin E.Green.

Woodland, California.
April 15, 1888.

Mr.Jackson:

Dear Sir:

You will please excuse the liberty but I am anxious to learn something from a reliable source. I want to know about business prospects and what would be the most desirable thing for a young man to engage in. So many young men are thinking of going to that far off land. Please let me hear from you. I am sure anything from you must be interesting. I will wait hoping soon to have a long letter from you We are a Jackson family from Ohio, Huron Co.,

Please answer soon and oblige,

Mrs.C.C.Jackson.

FIFTH INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.
Chicago, Ill., April 25, 1888.

Dear Brother:

The next meeting of the Executive Committee of the International Sunday School Convention will be held at Chatauqua on Thursday, August 16th, at 10 o'clock A.M. The special place of meeting will be designated by a notice in the Athenaeum Hotel. Matters of great importance will come before the Committee.

First. The report of the International work for the past year, including the engagement of William Reynolds, with outlined plans for the coming year.

Second. The organization of the Department of Instruction under the leadership of Reverend J.H.Gilbert, D.D. with outlined plans for future work.

Third. The World's Sunday School convention to be held in the summer of 1889, in London, with a report of the arrangements already made and the work to be done in future, including the appointment od delegates from the United States. the special subjects to considered and the appointment of speakers to take part in the same.

The Executive Committee have always had a reduced rate at the hotel, viz. $[illegible].00 per day. Good board can be obtained in cottages from $1.00 to $1.50 per day. Those who desire accommodations at the hotel or wish to engage rooms at the cottages can address Mr.W.A.Duncan at Chatauqua after the first of June. Mr. Duncan is a member of the Executive Committee for the state of New York, and is also Secretary for the Chatauqua Association.

In connection with the Executive Committee meeting at Chatauqua this year, it is proposed to hold an International Sunday School Conference during parts of three days, the 16th, 17th and 18th of August, and we desire the presence of all the representative Sunday School workers, especially those connected with State, Territorial and Provincial organizations, and request each Association to send at least five delegates to this Conference; the number, however, is not limited to five for we are quite willing to receive twenty five delegates.

Friday, the 17th of August, is International Sunday School Day on the Chatauqua programme, and a Sunday School meeting will be held in the amphitheatre at 11 o'clock, A.M. Addresses will be made and the International work presented.

You are urged to be present at the meeting of the Executive Committee, and also by Correspondence and personal efforts to secure delegates from your State, Territory or Provence to attend the Conference.

Yours in the work,
D.W.Jacobs.

Ketchikan, Alaska.
April 29, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Please dear sir we are about 10 hevent anything to eat for the present our rituals are gone sure

For the ten

Edward Marsden.

Sunday Morning.

Auburn, New York.
April 21, 1888.

Reverend Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Doctor:

I have the pleasure of sending you, enclosed, a Draft for $15.00 made payable to your order. It is in slight token of appreciation of your lecture in Morgan Hall, and in gratitude for your kindness for giving such a lecture. It was full of information. I wish it were printed for large distribution and that I had a copy for private distribution for myself.

I trust that you reached your distant destination in safely and health. May the good Lord be with you to bless and prosper you.

Kindly acknowledge when this reaches you; and believe me as ever.

Sincerely yours,
S.H.Leigh.

Marshfield, Mass., May, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Sir:

I have been requested by one of the churches in Boston to give a lecture on Alaska, before or under the auspices of the Women's Home Missionary Society.

As I am called upon to give secular lectures occasionally, I have concluded to prepare a lecture long enough for a whole evening or about three hours long as I shall use at a Missionary meeting. Mrs.E.J.Darnell, Secretary of our Alaskan Bureau, lent me Ivan Petroff's "Report on the Population, Industries, and Resources of Alaska," but wants it returned immediately.

The maps and colored pictures would help in the lecture and I would like to obtain the book. Are they published for free distribution? and can you use your influence to obtain one for me? I subscribed for the "North Star" as soon as I knew such a paper was in existence and have bought some other works. Am preparing a dialogue for children on Alaska. I must Went to speak at our conference this Spring and found the people very ignorant regarding this great Northland. I hope sometime to meet you and the other grand workers who have suffered so much for our Alaskan neighbors. Have some questions already to ask, even if I have to wait until we reach Heaven. I thought while reading Mrs.Wright's "Among the Alaskans" I should like to know if you and Mrs.McFarland knew about Phillips school at Fort Wayne before you heard the bell and followed the people in. I would ask, if I could see you, "What is the correct way to pronounce Thlinket?

Everyone who has studied Alaska must be ready to sing the Doxology over the interest you have taken in its people. Anything in the line of information on this interesting topic will be thankfully received and vigorously used by

Yours in the work of saving the world,

Mrs.Reverend W.C.Alger

(Organizer of the W.W.F.-

Excuse envelope. I find I am out of this kind.

Eyak Mission, Cordova, Alaska.
May 8,1908.

Dear Brother:

Your kind letter duly received. It came too late for me to make any satisfactory preparation for the journey and after waiting as long in the hope of being able to erect some of the needed buildings here I could not see my way clear to leave the work this summer, so I have an carpenter and deem it wise to look after the funds for which I must be responsible.

I hope you will not feel that I underrate your kindness or that I cannot appreciate the chance of a little to visit such a meeting as the Assembly's Centennial at Philadelphia and not the least privilege of representing the Territory of Alaska in it. Among many things I have denied myself. I have found few if any brought a harder struggle than this.

I can but be in great suspense until I hear from Wife and Daughter and it is anxiety to me not to long endure. Pray we may be patient and submissive.

I send out for 15 cords of wood furnished, which they have enough to finish the term. The contract ends with the house yet unceiled calls for "plenty fire."

This leaves me quite well here and reasonably prosperous

I do not think I will send carpenter out by steamer. She usually comes in on the way down. We may have a better opportunity this summer and you may see for yourself and get what you want to say as you think best.

Fraternally,

J.Lander Gould

Killisnoo, Alaska, May 9,1908.

Doctor Jackson:

Dear Sir:

Your kind note of April 20th received. Allow me to express my gratitude for the favor received; you have relieved me from a source of great annoyance and merriment.

Sincerely, May Ransom

Jackson, Alaska.
May 7, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Brother:

I received your letter, order and check. I am afraid I cannot fill your yellow cedar order by June 1st. I will do all I can - yellow cedar is scarce - the sprice order I will begin at once. Doctor why dont you come here and see me, you will then know how I am situated and under what disadvantages I labor. My mill works well and if I could get you interested in it, I know I could accomplish more. I wish you would come; I have many things to ask you. Let me thank you from the bottom of my heart for the kind words you gave Mrs.Fern about me. I will never forget your kindness. I have other things to thank you for. But when we meet then I will open my heart to you.

I am forever your friend,
W.D.McCleod.

MAIL AND EXPRESS.
New York, May 7, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I have received your favor of 30th ult, and thank you for your kind words.

If you have the time or the inclination to write occasional articles on Alaska. I would be very glad to publish them in the Mail and Express over your signature, or if you write anything in the shape of a paragraph criticising the action of Governor Swineford or the Democratic administration generally. I will insert them editorially.

With kindest regards,

Very truly,
Elliott F. Shepard.

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52 Eastern Avenue, Worcester., Mass.
June 2, 1892

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Sir:

I have just finished reading your very interesting report on "Education in Alaska (published in "Bureau of Education Circular for 1887" I found the report very interesting indeed and now will ask you a very great favor. I have as a member of the senior class in the Normal school, at Worcester) been given as a subject for my thesis "Alaskan education." After reading your report, it occurred to me that by writing to you I might be able to get valuable information concerning my subject. If you will kindly give

me any information in regard to the schools, salaries of teachers or whything which relates to school work, I shall esteem it a very great favor.

Very respectfully,
(Miss) Helen F.Walker.

DISTRICT OF ALASKA.
Sitka, Alaska, May 9, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Judge Dawson in Court this morning saw fit to select you as a Jury Commissioner to act in concert with me in drawing a petit jury.

I should be pleased to have your assistance, either this afternoon or as soon thereafter as may be convenient for you

Please inform the bearer when I may expect you at my office, and oblige

Yours very respectfully,
Henry L.Hayden, Clerk.

Washington, D.C., May 12,1888.

Sir:

Referring to the International Exhibition, which will open at Melbourne, Australia, on the 1st day of August next I have the honor to inform you that the government of Victoria has particularly invited exhibits to show the organization, methods, and appliances for instruction, in the different countries which will be represented.

The United States Commissioners are anxious to have as many of our institutions as possible participate, and will do all in their power to have them receive the proper credit and recognition.

My address, until May 30th, will be 1728 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C.; and after that time, care of the U.S.Consul General, Melbourne, Australia.

Trusting to receive a favorable reply, I am
Your obedient servant,
Adolf Marix.
Secretary.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
New York, May 25, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

At our last meeting we planed Mr.Austin on our list of Home Missionary preachers. All the others are on this list

except McFarland of Nenana. There seemed to be some doubt in the minds of the Board as to which list he should be on. Does he teach or preach or both? If both which is he most of, a preacher or a teacher.

Yours truly,
O.H.Boyd, Secretary.

Hartford, Conn., May 26, 1898.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

As soon as you have anything to report in regard to the two colleges in which I feel an interest, I shall be glad to hear from you. My annual report is due in November. Before that time I suppose the houses will be built and occupied & and I can give a full account - if necessary - in the report I hope you are feeling encouraged in your work.

We are considering who is to take Mr.Atkins' place, when he steps down, and out - as it is said he will do the middle of June,. Nearly is spoken of - and I dont know but he will "do." He hasn't a particle of religious principle, and is a very strong partisan - but he is a very sensible man, and aims to be quite just, I think.

You will be sorry to hear that our mutual friend, Mrs. Joseph Cook, is seriously ill of nervous exhaustion.

Very truly yours,
Geo T.Linsley.

Bismarck, Alaska.
May 28, 1898.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Brother:

Your letter of April 30th was received per last mail. I received your last letter last fall informing me that Mrs S.F.Shepard had presented the school at Bismarck with a flag. You requested me to write a letter acknowledging receipt of the flag to Mrs.Shepard which I acknowledge promptly in a letter to Mrs.Shepard which I acknowledged promptly in a letter to Mrs. Shepard and enclosed the same in a letter to you and mailed the letter to Sitka. I wrote the letter promptly on the reception of the flag which was the mail after your letter was received informing me you had sent the flag. I regret the delay. If you cannot find the letter of thanks enclosed for Mrs.Shepard please inform me and I will write another as a letter of thanks is due the donor.

There are no houses except a few temporary shanties (some of which are occupied only a short time every year during canning season - all those immediately on the beach-Hydah

quarters (temporary) upon the Island Northwest of Manuel (on which I have built the school-house. The Island contains between 160 acres and 320 acres. I would like to take up the whole of the Island as Mr.Gould suggested. This would afford us good room, fuel, water, and a good site for the most enterprising natives to build up a village when eye to comfort and permanence.

Please file upon the land for us or instruct me that I may be able to proceed according to law in the matter. I write you that I had been quite unwell, but am glad to inform you I am improving as fast as I could expect. My illness was caused by malarial poison in the system. I recognized the fact when I had a chill. Did not think the effects of malaria would last so long in a mild climate. Hope to be quite well in a short time. Our Sabbath congregations are as good as we could expect. Mrs.Harris and Mary join in kindest regards to you.

Truly yours,
Rev.C.W.Harris.

Baltimore, Md., May 29,1856.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:
Inclosed you will find $1.00 from the little children of the Free Kindergarten to the children of Africa. This is a gift from willing hearts and I believe Jesus smile will be blest for them I talked to them of the little ones who do know of Jesus they wanted to send them pennies to buy books or send a teacher to tell them, their faces lighted with interest and I found they told the story to their homes and brought back three pennies in exchange. These pennies come from the poorest children in Baltimore. May we not ask and believe that from whence they came one day in time go forth in that same region, with the glad news themselves.
Yours in the love of Christ,
Mrs.L.F.Waller.

Mad Bluff, California.
May 8, 1856.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Cuba, Alnada.
My dear Doctor:
I send you herewith the last numbers of Science, with greeting from the semi-tropical climate of California. I hope you have succeeded in getting all your buildings furnished and that you can rest for awhile. But I suppose to do

this is foreign to your disposition, and no doubt your busy brain is busy in maturing greater works in Alaska than heretofore. Although we like our new home and the newfound friends, yet these cannot make up forthe ties we sundered in Alaska a few months ago. We have not ceased to regret our departure, though God has prospered us more than we desire every way. Everything we have touched in the way of real estate, has increased in value, and although for the present it leaves us very poor, the near future will make us independent of the service - a consummation most devoutly hoped for as all those who are in it can testify. I haven't received the "North Star" regularly at all. What is the matter? I think in all I have received about 2 numbers.

What has been done with the Alaskan Stock." Clark told me that he had turned it over to Major Berry. A rather cool proceeding but not being there I could not help it. I wish you would take charge of it - and make out of it whatever you can by joining it with your own. Would like to prosecute the matter only as I said before am completely tied up financially for the present. Mrs.Nelson joins me in kindest regards, and desires with me to be remembered to all our friends at the Mission. We shall live in hopes of paying a flying trip to Alaska some of these days.

Sincerely yours,
John J.Nelson.

Baltimore, Md., June, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

Allow me to introduce Mr. and Mrs. Desayerts of Baltimore who have heard so much of the beauties and wonders of Alaska, that they are going to see for themselves. They are interested in all good things and I hope they will meet you and see the native population as you see him - in the training school especially.

Yours truly,
D.C.Gilman.

Fort Wrangell, Alaska,
June 4, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

My dear Sir:

Miss McAvoy left for her home last night on the ship Elder. She was overcome with joy when she received your kind letter containing the news of her re-appointment

and we are all gratified and wish to thank you most heartily for your efforts in her behalf. Mr.Barus will leave the school this week which will make out the full term.

The ship came in sooner than we expected and Miss Mc had only time to sign the vouchers in blank. I have filled them out and send them to you.

I am glad that my letter of the 30th of May met your approval. I feared that you would think it too severe but you know that I did not make it half what the facts would justify.

Mrs.Shelley will not arrive until the next Arctic which will be the same that will take you this letter.

Miss Mc. will explain to you the reason of her early departure for you know when she meets you.

Please remember me to Miss Kelso and Mrs.Chilson and oblige

Your friend,
James Shelley.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
53 Fifth Avenue, New York.
June 7, 1880.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Brother:

I have received your letter about the 34 Indian boys etc We hear from the Ladies that you have taken two of the Sitka teachers and put them into Government schools, which is a great breach of trust on their part, and which would be inexcusable if you were not at the bottom of it, and which, it seems to us is quite inexcusable in you. What you can gain by subjecting the Ladies to the expense of transporting teachers to Sitka and running all the risk of their proving failures, and then your taking them out, when they prove to be successful and useful, and have become accustomed to that kind of work, is more than I can conjecture, and a great deal more than I can reconcile with my sense of right.

We are very much disposed (and I think we should be if we could hit them) to write to those teachers the wrong they have inflicted on the school and on the Board, but I expect it would be throwing away time to no purpose. The Ladies have not a single teacher in prospect, whom they regard suitable for that field, and it seems you have reduced the school to one teacher after adding 34 pupils. You cannot stop that kind of business too soon.

I beg you not to meddle with the teachers at Fort Wrangell or with any of the employees. I think we shall continue the school in some form, indeed I am very much opposed to abandoning it. It would be a pity to send them back.

What do you propose to do about it? You have dumped them in there without permission or request. Where are they going to sleep? I think you had better attend to that. Who is going to cook for them, and how are they to be absorbed in the general work of the school and the employees hands as full as they can be, and their room occupied? I dont see why you haven't got to give your genius to that subject at once; I dont see why you haven't got to devise some place for them to sleep, at all events, and then, how is one woman going to teach over 100 pupils? You brought about that state of things, you must find a way out of it, not set down those boys and then run away and leave them there. Please give your attention to that subject.

I enclose $10.00 for you to get one of these stone totems for Mrs.Kendall.

Yours truly,

Dictated W.Kendall.

Note

Doctor Kendall lived to retract the strictures in this letter and greatly rejoice that so many Metlakahtla (Duncan's) boys were taken into the Sitka school.

S.J. 1904

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
280 Broadway, New York,
July 16, 1888.

Dear Brother Jackson:

I have of the 12th ult lies before me. You say that if we were in your place we should probably do just as you do, My reply is that if you were in our place you would probably write just such letters as we do.

One reason why we write as we do is because it is only in reply to just such letters that we can get the reasons for your doing as you have done. This does not pertain to you more than to many others. Having stirred you up as I did we got a very satisfactory statement of why you have done so. If you had given it in your letter in the first place, I should have had no occasion to write as I did.

Nearly everything you ask for had been attended to and done as you desired before I left New York two weeks ago.

Yours truly,

W.Kendall.

Metlakahtla, Alaska, June 9,'80

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter of the 1st inst reached me in due course. With reference to the lumber you order - I am very sorry not to be able to send it at once. We have no cedar logs 20 ft in our boom - none longer than 16 ft. We have however plenty of spruce logs 20 ft, if spruce will do. Please let us know If you must have cedar, I will get it off the first. Were available to procure some 20 ft logs for your order, but if spruce will serve we can send what you need by next Elder. As we have no freight to bring on steamer to Metlakahtla for some time we shall have to send lumber to you by boats to Tryan Narrows to catch steamer. This will of course increase the expense.

The last Elder had a large quantity of freight for the place and we expected her to call in and leave it on her way up. The Captain planned otherwise, occasioned us a great deal of trouble and loss - especially on account of our saw mill, by presuming to keep our freight eight days longer on board his vessel than he had any need to.

I suppose the boy would be disappointed in receiving no letters. Quite a batch of letters and some parcels for them were thus left behind. They go by this mail we hope - as I intend sending about early in the morning Saturday to Loring Narrows to catch the Ancon.

We were all very glad to hear from Mr.Kelly that the two sick boys are recovering. I hope to hear by return that they are fully restored to health.

A few days ago I received the papers from Washington in reference to a Post Office being established here. If the arrangement is carried out which is at present proposed - as I gather from the paper we shall be no better off than before. We are it seems to have our mail sent to Loring and from thence brought by special conveyance. That would never do in the winter for we might be a week unable to travel to Loring by canoe in stormy weather.

We have from 60 to 80 children at school daily but at this season we cannot expect more.

With kind regards to the friends associated with you in your great work, Believe me

Yours very sincerely,
Mr.Duncan.

Sitka, Alaska, June 14,1880.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir:

As a result of your brief presentation of facts on board the steamer Ancon the 13th concerning the great importance of a suitable place for worship for the white men

now entering in Juneau. The following passengers beg to hand you the subjoined amount for use in the erecting what will be perhaps the first church for the people in Alaska, with their earnest wishes that these small amounts may prove "first fruits of a rich harvest, not only of money to build churches but Christian sympathy and prayers which will help finish them.

Mrs.A.M.Bryant, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.	$5.00
Miss Emma Wolfe, Pittsburgh, Pa.	1.00
Mrs.E.D.Markle, Phil., Pa.	[illegible]
Miss J.Markle "	10.00
Miss C.Markle "	10.00
Mr. & Mrs.Markle, Lewisburg, Pa.	10.00
S.Hamilton, and wife, Fleteburg, Pa.	60.00
Mrs. Fechheimer, Cin., Ohio.	5.00
Daniel Keifer	2.50
D.Williams, Lake Forest, Ill.	25.00
Miss Annie Williams, 4th Pres.Church, Chi.	25.00
Miss Cora Williams " "	25.00
Reverend George F.Hughes, P.E.Church, Phil.	25.
Mrs.A.E.Groome, P.E.Church, Lawrenceburg, Ken.	5.
Mrs.T.I.White, P.E.White, P.E.Church N.O.,La.	5.
Miss May White " "	1.00
Reverend Selah Brown, M.E.Church, Harbour,Cal	2.
Total	$193.

I would just add that these amounts were given cheerfully and without solicitation.

Respectfully,
S.Hamilton, Treasurer of [illegible].

Steamer Amur, En route to
Glacier Bay, Alaska.
June 10, 1890.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

When I take time this A.M. to count up my accounts and look over memoranda etc, and I find I have given you $161. - & $32. total $193: whereas I collected $203. The last two subscriptions of $5.00 each were handed me just after I had made up and arranged the 161. to give you and not wishing to lose or misplace it I put the money in another pocket making memoranda of the results of it however when I came to pay you the $5.-.0. I, without looking over and checking off the amount which would have shown me the error just gave you my own $10.00 check and $5.00 received from Reverend Mr.Brown which was all I had received since I gave you the first amount, forgetting the circumstance of receiving the $10.00 So I shall hand the $10.00 to Mr.White and take his receipt

for it and have him send it to you or acknowledge it to you. providing I see him at Juneau. If I fail to see him there I will forward it as soon as possible. I am sorry to have made the mistake which you no doubt noticed and I wish you had asked me for explanation as that would then have called my attention to it. There is an list I gave you subscription to the amount of $233.00 all of which was paid except the $20.00 from Doctor Hughes which he is to collect from his church on his return.

Of this $233.00 I handed you 193 leaving 30 and of this there is $20. to be paid by Doctor Hughes , leaving ten dollars which I will hand Mr.White or mail to him or yourself Would you please tell me the meaning and why and objection to our mode of sepulture; also do they cremate the females and what distinction if any between old and young - married and single; also if not asking too much, what are the facts about the Treadwell Mill as to cost of production, i.e. from the ore in the mountains to the brick of bullion. I have heard it said $1ff. per ton and paps ore 120,000 tons per month and crushed 2,000 tons per diem. You will observe if all these statements proves it will require some slight addition to the figure of output. I enclose stamp for reply to any or all these questions if not too much trouble; also please state what pieces you would want for your book, Burnets, and kind also the others. I did not know perhaps am not sure as I do not handle small goods but maybe I can secure a few; if so, I will [illegible] you a few of cheap edition of books which were used last winter in Pitts. If you get this in time would you please reply addressing me at Palace Hotel, San Francisco, until about July 16th and at Esmond House, Portland about the 14th or 15th. If at Juneau or Pittsburg. I trust you got safely home last night and stays until about 4 A.M. as we did.

Kindest wishes to your helper. I like your back better than either Pollock Holmes or Holmes. N.B. how many mouths has the Yukon? Does the N.A.Steamer extend miles along the coast west and South.

Very truly yours,
T.Hamilton.

P.S. Have you a map of Alaska to spare? I see you send it for 10 subscribers and Mrs.F. paid for hers though not all to one address.

Sunday. We reached Juneau at 11 last night. I was shed at 9.30, weary and footsore and one ankle sprained - left Juneau and Douglass Island before morning arose so did not see Mr.White will therefore mail to you as soon as possible? I wish you would write me the amount which Mr.Cole sends you- I believe he promised to do so from Portland.

Portland, Oregon, June 25,1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Please find enclosed Draft No. of First National Bank of Portland for ten dollars to make up the amount of subscription in full of all the subscription except Doctor Hughes's $0.00 which he is to send you from Philadelphia.

If you should publish the amounts received in your paper it would be a good way to have all parties know the state of the account. I have to be in San Francisco by Monday next and leave there finally about July 10th to 15th at Palace Hotel. Will then come by steamer to Tacoma - Tacoma House where we will stop a day or two before beginning our home-ward journey over N.P.R.R.

Have had a nice time. Kind wishes from Mrs.Hamilton and believe me,

Truly yours,
[illegible]

P.S. If there is any special meeting attending to the different representations or the interest obtained at your place also, what is the belief of your Alaskan native in reference to the future state. Do they believe in the "Happy Hunting Grounds?" And if so, what is their belief about their spirits passing into ravens or other birds of animals or is it only ravens. Also their belief as to cremation

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U.S. Mail and Express.

New York, June 18, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,

Reverend and Dear Sir:

Would you kindly inform me who you favor for Commissioner of Indian Affairs?

Very truly yours,
Elbert F.Shepard. 5

Port Wrangell, Alaska.
June 20, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

You wrote in your letter for us to stay here and do our duty tell Mrs. Young's enterprise collapsed. Then we would be taken care of. Well the Enterprise closes July 1st and the children are to be sent to other schools and we very much desire to go to Sitka as wrote to Mr.Kelly on this boat. We hope you will use your influence in our behalf. We looked for you down on last Sunday's Ancon or rather hoped you would be. We would like to have you here on the

next Anson about the 10th of July our time is out here the
1st; that is, our quarter is up then.
Mr.Young goes below on the Elder this trip.Knowing of
nothing more to interest you I will close.
Hoping to hear from and see you soon.
Yours respectfully,
H.F.Lake.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin,
June 4, 1868.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson or Reverend Mr.Austin.
The Mission School,
Sitka, Alaska.

My Dear Sir:
Allow me to introduce to you my friends Messrs Berry and Benjamin Miller whom I have recommended to see you. They are college graduates and members of the bar and much interested in the general matters which the Alaskan facilities have in charge.
With much regard,
Yours respectfully,
Edwin P.Allen.

P.S.I am waiting to hear from Mr.Jackson how much and to whom to remit; and what has been done by the "Native Art Department."
E.P.A.

Washington, D.C., June 22, 1868

My dear Doctor Jackson:
The appointment to the Sitka school was received last week and is gratefully accepted. I will leave here August 1st and hope to be in Sitka a few days before school begins. If there is anything you would like attended to here I shall be glad to do it for you. The amendment offered yesterday in the House about the Alaska appropriation was lost, 32 ayes to 45 nos.
Kendall was as disagreeable as usual. If you have any advice to give or suggestions to make about my trip, I shall be glad to hear from you.
With many thanks,
Your friend,
S.Jackson.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska.
June 22, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

We returned from our five weeks absence at Klowack Howcan, etc arriving home the 12th, just too late to reach you by that mail. We had a most pleasant and favorable trip going as far as Forester Island and making a fine collection of birds, as well as thoroughly enjoying our visit. [illegible] was rather belligerent at first but directly afterwards angelic in his amiableness. He would give me no answer when I asked him what to tell you in regard to lumber, except to say that he would write to you himself. So I can only give you the situation as I left it, leaving you to make your own inferences. It was three weeks from the time I reached Howcan until I left there finally. McL. was only at the mill during that time part of one day - neither did he do a whole day's work elsewhere. He said the water was too low to saw. I did not visit the mill, but both Mr.Gould and my brother gave it as their opinion that one day's work in the dam would give plenty of water to run the mill at all seasons and at all times. I left Howcan June 6th. No lumber had been sawed for you at that time. Some young men - relatives - were out after logs but I do not know how many they had cut. McL. was paying them by the day and they were working alone.

Further; Mr.Gould had the skeleton of two thirds of Mrs. McFarland's house up, and part of it enclosed, but was out of lumber again, and the workmen almost at a standstill. We had logs at the mill and would insist upon McL. sawing them before filling your order. I will not venture to predict when you will get your lumber. You have all my data and McL.'s letter besides and can do your own estimating. I can tell you this however that it will be a happy day for all the workers at Howcan, and a good day for the mission, when another man is put in charge of that mill.

Mr.Currie, poor man, is in wretched health, a walking skeleton and I fear for the future. His good wife is nobly working away but is much concerned for her husband. He has had a severe attack of acne and does not rally. If he could be taken for part of the summer on a visit to some of the other missions where he could be rested and interested and could have a change of diet, it might save his life. We urged him to bring his family and spend a couple of months at Wrangel, but he said that he had lost so much time from school, that he must make it up by teaching all summer. His wife has been doing the teaching and preaching. Mr.Currie has become discouraged and inactive, and spends much of his time brooding over his complaints and experimenting upon himself. He needs change of scene and new channels of thought. Cant you do something for him? It is a pity to

let such a good and thoroughly devoted man die from torpor. I cannot give you a better idea of the state into which he has fallen than to state the fact that for weeks before our visit and during it, he did not undress but slept with two coats and his pants and stockings on, although he was strong enough to carry in wood and water and to eat as much of Mrs. C's peculiar Southern cooking as I could. Of course you will regard this as confidential, but I am anxious that you should arouse him if possible. I did what I could but was careful not to mortify him. I did not see the school in session arriving the last of the week and leaving early Monday.

Miss Clara Gould's school is excellent in every respect and the new school house convenient and comfortable.

I leave by this Elder. My address for a little will be at Doctor Kingsley's, 960 Center Street, Oakland, Cal. I dont know where I will settle.

We are closing the U.I.School. Cant run it without funds. I hope you will forward Dr. and Mrs. Lane's applications for positions in the Sitka Training School. I have written to Mr.Kelly in their behalf.

I received my letter to the President of San Francisco Thank you.

Good bye to you and to Alaska and God bless your work.

Yours as ever,

S.Hall Young.

St.Michael, Alaska.
June 25, 1895.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

My dear Sir:

For your letters and school reports which I received at St.Michael I am much obliged. My first duty in Unalaklik was to build a house. After a couple of months I had with much difficulty a small building ready.

In September last a school was opened for the natives. But as I only had a very small room it was a place for but few children.

The children who attended the school made good progress. One Indian boy who also understood the Russian language so learned during the winter that in the Spring he was able to converse in the English language. Other boys learned the alphabet and were also able to read simple sentences.

My intention is to teach the children the English language and educate them to be civilized and Christian people.

I am now going to San Francisco to get a larger building for school purpose because in Unalaklik is no lumber to be gotten. I am Respectfully yours, E.Karlson.

5 38 Jessie St., San Francisco.

WOMAN'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSION.
53 Fifth Avenue, New York.
June 25, 1894.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

Your recent letters have reached us safely but we have not replied promptly, as we could not answer positively. Your letter of April 20th we have kept before us for reference. Some things which you tell us of Mr.McNair will certainly prevent his being commissioned for our work, therefore it is necessary for us to find other helpers for Mrs. McFarland.

I have learned in some way that the nurses at Wrangell are not Presbyterians. If this is so, that is strong reason for our not commissioning them, although further inquiry into the matter may make it seem wise to do so.

The Woman's Executive Committee will certainly ask to have Mrs.Harding relieved at the close of this year. Should the Board agree to permit her resignation to date from September 5th as you suggest, we should soon be rid of her peacefully. I do not know what the Board may decide to do in the matter, but when I recall the long illness that Mrs Harding had last winter from the effects of [illegible], it does not seem to me that her services entitle her to so much full pay. Still that may be the better way to look at the matter.

We regret exceedingly that you have offered Miss Lee the Government school at Juneau, and the Woman's Executive Committee does not feel willing to accept her resignation; we feel at all events that she should refund her travelling expenses. This is a matter that is proving very trying to us all. Take Miss Fuhle's case. She was one in the work, the travelling expenses to that remote field are heavy, at the end of the year she leaves us without hesitancy. We feel that in both cases the money should be refunded. Now we learn to our surprise that Miss Fuhle has remained in the building all this time. This came to us through a recent letter of Miss Fuhle's and Mrs.Austin gives good reason why she should not be sent into the town to board but why did she accept a position that would leave her so unprotected. The same position is still vacant in the school. I refer to the charge of the laundry and we are sadly perplexed how to fill it at vacancy. Would Miss Fuhle be willing to take it again? As it lies in your power to commission the Government workers in Alaska, we cannot but feel that you should that you should aim to put Christian workers in the schools but without doing this at our expense. We might not protest so strongly if we did not incur the additional expense, although the constant changes in the school by the removal of workers who have gained some experience and proven the right

ones, is always to be regretted extremely.
We have all been extremely pained to learn of Mr.Overend's death, and feel very anxious in regard to that department of the work. We trust that Mrs.Overend may feel willing to return to the field and take charge of the teachers's mess as suggested by Professor Kelly.
We were overwhelmed with the report of the additional pupils brought suddenly into our school, the 35 boys from Port Chester. As Doctor Kendall has written you in regard to these matters, I believe it is unnecessary for me to into the matter any more fully, than to strongly protest in the name of the Committee against such steps being taken without due notice being given here, and proper arrangements made. Our Treasury is not in a condition to warrant such increased expenditures. We must be allowed the privilege of accepting or rejecting work, and arranging to meet increased expenses before we have enlarged work laid upon us.
Mr.Boyd tells me that Captain Pratt was unable to make the suite as ordered and therefore they are not on their way. I do not know what other arrangements he is making in regard to them.

Yours very sincerely,
(Mrs. C.H.) F.H.Walker, Sec.

1524 Arch St., Philadelphia.
June 18, 1880.

Dear Doctor Jackson:
This will be handed you by my friend, Mr.J.Nicholas Brown, of Providence, R.I., who is soon to start on a journey to the far North West. Mr.Brown is a member of our Association, and is deeply interested in the question of Indian civilization. It is a pleasure to me to acquaint him with one who has done and suffered so much for the Christianization and the material welfare of the Indian race.
Believe me,

Sincerely yours,
Herbert Welsh.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson.
Introducing
Mr.John Nicholas Brown.

SUGGESTED SEMINARY.
Northfield, Mass., June 30,1880

Mr.Jackson,
Dear Sir:
Enclosed please find a check for thirty dollars, which our Missionary Society voted to send you to help a

little in your work.
Trusting that you will receive it safely, we remain
Yours very truly,
Miss.Society of N.Y.

PRESBYTERIAN MEMORIAL CHURCH.
428 N.Queen St., Lancaster, Pa.
June 30, 1885.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

Last year Lafayette College conferred upon me a degree M.A. which I had received over 20 years ago (was enclosed certificate? I desire to write to the faculty about it soon and ask them to make it - if the way be clear - some other degree. I would like to accompany said letter with some testimonials of those who knew of me in my missionary work. If you can conscientiously give a testimonial it will be thankfully received by

Yours truly,
Thomas Thompson.

Klawock, Alaska.
July 4th, 1885.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Brother:

I thank you for your kind information and kind efforts and that of the Presbytery to aid me. Also the action of the Board.

Enclosed I send two letters one from a native Choctaw and the other a Cherokee with more white blood than Indian. Mr.Thompson was born in the Cherokee nation and educated in the Moravian Mission. Came to Texas, marries a white woman has raised a large family in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Is an honored Elder in the Presbyterian Church supports his church liberally. Built one of the best church es in this country at his own expense painted. The work of the Company is immense. Perhaps worth $500,000. Please read simply to see what hard to work for God does. I prefer Mr.Thompson's name not to be used as he reads many of our journals and might take exception as I have not obtained his permission.

The young man Potemah was a delicate full blood Choctaw unable to speak English. His letter speaks for what he is. Use its contents as you please.

Please return the letters after reading them at your convenience.

In great haste with kindest regards from all,

I am truly yours,

W.Currie.

[illegible],
July [illegible].

My dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter of the 21st ult was received by current mail. Thank you for the same. In response I have [illegible] with the monthly reports of our clinic for the months of this year.

I note what you say about your order for [illegible] remaining over till we [illegible] to get the letter from Arthur to take it, please let us know as soon afterwards as possible and in retaining the [illegible] kindly let me know your action. [illegible] sometimes short of help at a particular branch and during summer we are short of lancets. Our visit is going well at present. We are filling [illegible] for different [illegible] here for a [illegible]. Yesterday we celebrated the 4th of July in Alaska. Our [illegible] dinner [illegible] Diagnas Natives and duly enjoyed. [illegible] dress Assembled on the [illegible] for [illegible] and [illegible] sure fun. Towards evening the [illegible] the school room and around [illegible] the whole [illegible] in colors and [illegible] ice cream [illegible] altering agreeable [illegible] in front of the [illegible].

As I [illegible] a phone message to Dr. Duncan for [illegible] on his return from the North - no [illegible] that Dr. Grafton [illegible] post also Dr. O'Reilly [illegible]. His friends and the Doctor [illegible] are doing their best for him and he seems somewhat better [illegible] the last day or two - but I fear there is little hope for his recovery.

We are all glad to learn that the boys are doing well.

I see from the Colonial that the British subjects are alarmed at the importance of Industrial [illegible] and propose building and [illegible] to [illegible] and [illegible]. No doubt they will try their best to wipe out Dr. Grafton. They have [illegible] by their [illegible] of our people.

Yours very sincerely,

W.Duncan.

Aurora, New York.
July 5, 1868.

Doctor Jackson:
Kind friend:
Enclosed please find draft for the remaining twenty dollars. We hope it may reach you safely.
With the best wishes for your success, I remain,
Truly yours,
Estelle Doughty.
Mec.Y.F.M.C.M.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
53 Fifth Avenue, New York.
July 6, 1868.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Sir:-
We have been considering the Fort Wrangell matter, and so far as we can reach positive conclusions at all are disposed to arrange as follows.
We will not continue the Training School, but we will maintain a Home for girls with two or three matrons, using for the latter purpose such of the present employees as we can. Then the other workers we should be disposed to send to Sitka, where more help is doubtless needed and where they would probably be readily and usefully employed. We would send for instance, Mr.Lake the carpenter to Sitka; his wife of course would accompany him. We would also send the shoemaker there, whose name I do not have. The matter of salaries and other particulars we could arrange at a later date Miss Rankin, formerly in Alaska, now at Denver, we understand wishes to be returned to Alaskam and we propose to send her back there.
Please let us know what you think of all this? You can judge of the matter in its various lights better than we can away off here. The whole matter of the Wrangell arrangement has puzzled and perplexed us for a good many months. This seems to us in every way the best possible solution, but we want as soon as convenient to know what you think of it in general and in detail.
Very truly yours,
William Irwin.

Fort Wrangell, July 7, 1868.
Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
My dear Sir:
Miss McAvoy has the attendance book with her. I

will forward your letter and the blanks to her so that she can make the reports and return them to you.

Mr.Fleming was very much disappointed and very mad that his wife did not get the school. He got drunk after the steamer left and came into my room and abused you and me and everyone connected with the school department but I gave him a surprise by telling him that I had taken his advice quite long enough and if he did not desist I would take him to jail and keep him there until he was satisfied.

He was defiant at first but when he saw that I was in earnest and that I was about to execute my order he began to beg and apologize. I let him go with a warning that if he was ever found that way again I would have him locked up. He has kept out of my way ever since. Such men are a disgrace to the Administration and a detriment to the Territory.

The Wrangell Training School is a thing of the past. Mr.Young has gone to California. Most of the boys have gone Some of the girls are going to Howcan. "All is well that ends well."

Very truly yours,
James Wheatley

TERRITORIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
Juneau, Alaska.
July 8, 1888.

Doctor Jackson:

Dear Brother:

We have made one trip to Chilkat and found everything well. Have started to paint the Home. Have had our Fourth of July.

Have listened with interest and profit to Miss Ackerman several nights. Have put up a flag pole. Have kept up a continual talk with Indians. Raised money among the people of Juneau and bought the bell that was in the Sitka Trading Company's Store and had it put on the school house. Judge Williams saying that he had no objection to a bell and would give $1.00 towards it but Reed was hot. He cursed the bell and the Sitka Trading Company and everything generally. Went to Crawford and told him to take the d---- fire relic out of there. Crawford did so as he is under the impression that Reed has somewhat hue somewhat to say about accepting the building. Now Doctor I would like to know if there is any likelihood of the Government putting a bell in the building. If not will the Government allow the bell purchased by some of the citizens of Juneau to be rung from the bell tower on the Government school building. I think Mr. Brady has a bell in Sitka of the same shape and size as this that I bought. Reed said he would rather buy a bell and give it himself than have anything of old White's.

I would like for his blowing and blustering to have him ordered to either buy or better replace the present bell beschool opens in September. Thought I would tell you of what is going on. We hear nothing of the Board or anybody else paying the debt on our Home.

Fraternally,
Eugene S.Willard.

Rock Cave, West Virginia.
July 30, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Dear Doctor Jackson:

I enclose reports desired. I sent reports for December January and February ut remember that I did not send duplicates.

I forgot to do so at the time, and seeing you soon after spoke of it. You said if I needed them I could send them by mail. I fear you will suffer some inconvenience.

Am having a delightful time. Judge Sheakly writes me the Home children are gone but no one has told me where. I think the intention was to send some to Howean.

I understand you are still in, though, on the steamer. I was informed that you must go. I said "I will only believe that Doctor Jackson is going when he is gone.

Respectfully,
Lyda L.McAvoy.

BUFFALO INTERNATIONAL FAIR ASSOCIATION.
Buffalo, N.Y.
July 9, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
Washington, D.C.
Dear Sir:

We mail you today copies of our Fair Journal advertising the International Exposition to be held in Buffalo on September 4th to 14th.

One of the features of this Exposition will be the Indian Department. Much hasbeen said and written of late to try to prove the failure of the policy of the State and nation toward the Indians and that the many efforts that have been made and the thousands of dollars that have been spent have been in vain. The object of this department is to place the Indian in his true character and in the right light, before the hundreds of people who will visit this Fair.

To this end we propose to divide the Indian department into two divisions: First, - The Indian as he <u>was</u> Second

The Indian as he is - making the contrast between the two as great as possible.

In the first division we expect to have some of the old Indians if the Western New York reservation, dressed in their native costume and surrounded by the implements and utensils used one hundred or more years ago. In the second division we intend to show the brightest pupils of the various Indian schools of the country engaged in different arts such as printing, carpenter work etc, sewing on machine by young Indian women etc.

In connection with this department we wish to show the finest collection of Indian relics and curiosities ever displayed in this part of the country.

We have placed in charge of this department Mr.Frederick H.Parker, an educated Seneca Indian and a nephew of General Ely S.Parker of New York.

The Indian School at Carlisle places a collection on exhibit at the Cincinnati exposition this summer and we have written the Commissioner of Indian Affairs at Washington asking if we could not arrange to have an exhibit from Hampton at our Fair but we have not yet heard from him.

[illegible] been directed to you by Miss Clara J.Guernsey of Rochester, N.Y. as a friend to the Indian and the question we would ask is - Cannot you aid us in securing some of the pupils and specimens of their work from Hampton or some of the other Indian schools. We are willing to bear all the expenses needful.

We believe that this exhibit properly made cannot fail to be of great benefit to the Indian race and we hope for your hearty cooperation in this matter.

Very respectfully yours,
George W.Bailey,
Ed.Fair Journal.

UNITED STATES COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY.
San Francisco, California.
July 10, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent
Territorial Board of Education,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Upon the suggestion and advice of Mr.Louis Sloss of the Alaska Commercial Company I wrote to ask you whether it is practicable for the survey to get at Sitka the services of a person competent to observe and record the time and height of each and every high and low water through a period of two

months at Sitka? Is the condition of the wharf such that a tidal staff or tidal box could be safely secured to it? Is there any one who could see the levelling instrument to determine the difference of level between a given mark on the gauge and some Peach mark on the shore?

One of the Government teachers might do the observing but that would involve his receiving two salaries which is not permitted by law.

No fixed sum has been mentioned to me as monthly payment but I suppose it would be about forty dollars. The observer would have to make readings of the tidal staff and note the times of each reading during not less than one hour at each high and low water whether day or night.

An early answer will much oblige

Yours respectfully,

George Tarrison.

OBERLIN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.
Oberlin, Ohio,
July 12, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Brother:

Many thanks for your thoughtful letters of introduction to the brethren of Alaska. I start tonight with two friends to spend a few weeks there in some special study of the glaciers that are accessible. I expect to stop two weeks in the neighborhood of Fort Wrangel, and about the same time at Juneau. I am deeply interested in your work there.

Very truly yours,
G.F.Wright.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
of
The Presbyterian Church in the United States.
53 Fifth Avenue, New York.
July 16, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Doctor Jackson:-

At its meeting held on the 26th of June, the Board voted to pay the expenses of those 26 boys from New Metlakahtla to Sitka, amounting to $241. for which I have the pleasure of enclosing the Board's check.

I am very sorry not to have been able to visit Sitka this summer. That project was very near my heart and I had

carefully planned the visit, but at the last moment I could not get off and subsequent events prove that I was wise in not trying to get away.

Please give my best wishes to all the workers at Sitka and believe me,

Very truly yours,
O.D.Eaton, Treasurer.

FRIENDS' MISSION
Douglas City, Alaska Territory.
July 20, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Friend:

Will there be a chance to get rent or at least part of the rent paid by the Board for our school house for next year. We had hoped to get our school house erected this season just now it seems doubtful. We are intending to give our school children a lunch at noon each school day thinking it might induce them to attend more regularly. We want if possible to get every child of school age into the school that remains here through the winter. We meet with many of the Sitka Home children and your Church members on the Island and we endeavor to look after and entertain them as best we can, keeping them from attending the dancehouse and other places of like scandalous character as much as we can.

Reports from our committee are encouraging for our future work here.

With best wishes for your and your work, I remain

Your friend,
D.V.Wasmuth.

Hydah Mission, Alaska.
July 22, 1888.

Dear Brother Jackson:

In replying to yours of June 9, I extend gratitude for being remembered by the Presbetery especially in the matter of school and church buildings.

My family had a pleasant journey. Mrs.C.was at Philadelphia during assembly meeting; went onto New York and returned to her Home in West Virginia where our children were at her last writing June 21 our daughter was in a very critical condition. She had not entirely regained her usual health when she was prostrated with trouble with her lung. She has a severe cough and we are in great distress.

The "Pinta" came to "American Bay " yesterday. Hope she may go to Klawack as she is needed there.

We hoped to find Doctor Jackson on Board.

We are in good health and fairly prosperous here.
I will send you some kind of an outline report.
I am glad sister is commissioned for another year. She is on good terms with the people has learned to understand and is interested in them in a way a stranger could not be and the school premises more for the next term than for the past year. Besides she is a comforting addition to our family.

Fraternally,
J.L.Gould.

Rochester, New York.
July 25, 1882.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Sir:

Several years ago you spoke in the Brick church of Rochester, Dr. Shaw's church.

You were telling about Alaska. You told the story of an Indian chief. You said the chief's son died and the old father, leaving the body of the young man unburied went many many miles down some rough Alaskan river to find a Missionary. Having found one, he begged the pale face to come up and say over his son's body something that would send the soul to Heaven. When he found it was too late to do anything for the dead, he entreated that someone be sent to tell his people how to get to Heaven. But there was no one to send. He went back broken-hearted. Do you remember?

Has anything been done for that chief and his tribe? If so, what? If not, why? Will it be asking too much of you to ask for that story again and its sequel, if there be one. Or if that be too much just the sequel. What has been done. If nothing has been done will you tell where the tribe is; what name it has and what should be done for it, and how to do it.

These questions might suggest power to do on the part of the writer. Please do not so understand them but you may be assured they are asked through no idle curiosity. And if, among so many duties you still find time to write, you will recieve the hearty thanks of

Yours with sincere respect,
Elizabeth Freeland,
413 State Street.

Law Offices of HARRISON, MILLER & ELAM,
3,4,5&6, Wright's Block, Market St.
Indianapolis, Indiana.
July 27, 1882.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

Your favor of the 11th inst, has been received and I thank you very sincerely for your cordial congratulations and kind words. Mrs.Harrison joins me in sending best wishes.

Very truly yours,
Benjamin Harrison.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Territorial Board of Education.
Sitka, Alaska.
August 1, 1888.

Reverend Adolf Lydell,
Swedish Free Mission,
Takutat, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am glad to hear of your arival together with that of your Assistant Reverend C.Hendrickeen at Yakutat, and I hasten to send you Christian greetings.

You are in a very needy field. May the God of the sowing and the harvest abundantly bless your work.

Through the kindness of the owners of the Alpha I send you a small box containing

1 dozen Monroe's New 1st Reader
1/3" Butler's chart Primer
7 Butler's 2nd Reader
2 Brook's Elementary Normal Arithmetic
2 White's Primary "
1 Pathfinder no.1
1 Pathfinder 2
6 Elementary Lessons in English (Ginn Heath & Co.)
1 Huntreith's Manual of Geography
1 Appleton's Standard Elementary Geography
1 Colton's New Elementary Geography
1 Cornell's Primary "
1 Guyot's Elementary "
Blank books, paper, tablets, 2 doz.lead pencils
Penholders and steel pens; slate pencils, ink, bottle, Mucilage bottle, erasers.
1 dozen slates
1 Higginson's History of the United States.
1 Among the Alaskans

I also send you some blank school reports. If you will take the trouble to make out one each month and mail to me at Sitka, you will confera favor, and make it possible for me to assist you in various ways.

Also if from time to time as you have opportunity you will write me an account of your work, I will be glad to put it into the papers. This will make your Mission known in the United States and raise up friends who will pray for you and perhaps some of them help you pecuniarily

Please send me Mr.Karlsen's full name. And if you have heard anything of interest concerning his work on Behring Sea, please let me know about it.

There is at Sitka a large training school with 170 boys and girls. These boys are fed and trained at the expense of the school. They live in the school until they become men and women and go out into the world for themselves. They come from all quarters of Southeast Alaska and British Columbia.

If any of the teachers of the day schools find a boy or girl that is bright and quick to learn, if they wish to give them better advantages they send them to the school.Or if in any community children are left orphans with no one to care for them, this school is a sheltering home for them.

If at any time you would like to send any here, they will receive a warm welcome. The school already has several from Takutat.

The Lord bless and keep you.

Yours Brother in Christ,
Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent.

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4 Kinsley St., Hartford, Conn.
August 2, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Sir:

I am afraid my letter has not reached you for had it I am sure I should have had some reply to my questions.

I am quite anxious to know how the cottages are coming on. I often receive letters from the Associations that gave the money, asking all manner of questions about the work, and the Indians themselves, but I know so little, that I have almost no information to give so that I am obliged to appeal to you once more.

In about six months I must hand in my report to the National Association and I very much want to be able to say something about the two Alaskan cottages for which we are responsible.

May I have a few lines from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,
Sara T.Kinney.

Fort Wrangell, Alaska.
August 4, 1888.

Dear Brother Jackson:

I come here partly to assist in bringing Brother Currie and partly for other reasons. Brother Currie is very much reduced has improved rather than otherwise since I saw him first five days past. He needs change every way and medical treatment.

As the Government furnishes school-room here and pays rent elsewhere I ask whether rent could not properly be paid for room properly furnished at Howcan; as for four years it has been mostly at my private expense. It seems fair for me to ask it. But the main incentive for asking now is because of the increased expenditures on account of the sad misfortunes of my family.

Mrs.Young is very kind to Brother Currie and though I dread to so tax her I feel comfort in leaving him where he will be so well cared for until returns steamer he has barely strength to get up and out.

Yours truly,
J.[illegible] Gould.

Wrangell, Alaska.
August 4, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir:

Mr.James Young arrives and departs on the arrival of the Ancon going North. Dr.Currie Mr.Gould and Mr. Young are all here now; they came in Dr.Fuller's steam launch and will leave here on the arrival of the Ancon.

I have not been over to Klamuck yet; the Pimo would not agree to go in there. There is a large number of Indians there now and they need some attention both as in the school and the civil Government.

I hope that you will be able to go there some time this summer. I must go the first opportunity.

Very truly yours,
James Young.

Fort Wrangell, Alaska.
August 4, 1888.

Dear Brother Jackson:

Your letter of July 24th duly received. In reply I send pencilling of Brother Gould which I hope will answer and trust you will proceed at once to secure patent on the Island for the Board of Home Missions. I will ask Mrs.C to send copy of April monthly report which failed to reach you.

I have been fortunately helped here by securing the steam launch "Klawack" chartered by J.W.Young esq., for that purpose. I enjoyed the trip quite as well as I could hope. Feel in some respects better today. I am being most kindly cared for by Mrs.F.H.Young until return steamer, by which I hope to hear from you and go on some to Seattle for medical treatment. Pray for me and mine.

Fraternally,
L.F.Currie.

Juneau, Alaska, August 6,1888.

Doctor Jackson:

Dear Brother:

The checks were duly received and turned over to our Treasurer. Please accept many thanks.

This mail brings me word from Brother Carver Glen Rose of Texas of his willingness to accept the vacant place at Wrangell. I feel confident, that he will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord, his wife is a lovely woman too, as we know her. If he comes to Wrangell I am quite sure they will not be the occasion of any wrangling.

I had 1000 copies of circulars printed for circulation among the tourists; perhaps they may bring us some money. Doctor Williams and wife expect to dep rt on this boat. Mrs Willard does not seem so well as she was several weeks ago.

The schoolhouse is now finished, I believe.

We are all fairly well.

With fraternal regard,

S.P.White.

P.S.Do you know of Doctor Irwin is coming to Alaska? I see he has been or is in Oregon.

ALBERT LEA COLLEGE.
Albert Lea, Minn.,
August 8, 1888.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

As you request, I send you by mail ten copies of "History of Winona Presbytery" The price set by the printer is ten cents each - one dollar for the ten. I have endeavored to make the history correct, particular and faithful. But I was sorry to be obliged to abbreviate. I found material for a much larger sketch.

Our young College us a success. I believe it is destined to become one of the prominent and permanent institutions of the Northwest. We hope to make it in time the western Wellesley.

Our Presbytery is not growing. Many of the Churches are stationary and some are declining. The general failure is to be attributed largely, I believe, to fickleness on the part of the ministers. So many stay with a church only a year or two or three, and then are off to seek another, which in turn they will abandon as soon as or before they have the work well in hand. What are we to do to give our young ministers some stability?

Come and visit us, Brother Jackson, whenever convenient I should like to have a long visit with you and to have you see our school.

Yours cordially,
A.E.Abbott.

NEW JERSEY FILM AND STAR CO.
Trenton, N.J. Aug.11, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.
Alaska.

Dear Sir:

My brother, Lieutenant Emmons, U.S.N. stationed in Alaska has so interested me in that new country that I have determined if possible to secure the office of Collector of the "Port of Sitka." Shall need all the influence I can summon to gain this place and write you asking if you will further my interests if a change of administration should occur.

I should like to have your opinion or the general opinion as to how the present incumbent (collector) is filling his position. I have never professed any strong party preference and if the present collector is thinking of giving up his duties of office this Fall, possibly I could secure the office by bringing Democratic as well as Republican influence to bear.

If you will kindly inform me as to the inquiries I have made, you will greatly oblige. Anything I have said or you may see fit to write to me will be entirely confidential.

Yours very truly,
R.E.J.Emmons.

Juneau, Alaska.
August 12, 1888.

Doctor Jackson,
Dear Brother:

Your favor was duly received. Many thanks for the enclosed sum. Juneau is booming. Am sorry I cannot report our work as prosperous - it is quite discouraging. We are

all fairly well. The Willards also. Doctor and Mrs.Willard went below on the Ancon.

With kind wishes,

Fraternally yours,
J.P.White.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
Sitka, Alaska.
August 14, 1888.

Hon.N.H.R.Dawson,
U.S.Commissioner of Education.

Hon. and dear Sir:

Whereas business and family considerations may lead the General Agent of Education in Alaska to resign his position the Territorial Board of Education being deeply interested in the character of His successor would respectfully recommend to you the appointment of Professor J.J.Davis of Clarion, Pa.

Professor Davis is a thoroughly educated school man - a graduate of the state Normal school at Edinboro, Pa., and of the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio. He was Principal of the West Freedom Academy for three years and of the Collegiate Institute at Kimersburg for five years.

He was Superintendent of Public schools in Clarion Co., Pa., for 8 years and Statistician in the Department of Public Instruction for the state of Penna for 4 years.

He has been Instructor of Teachers' Institutes in eleven counties in Penna; and also in Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

He is now Principal of the State Normal School at Clarion, Penna.

In 1885 he was for a few months Superintendent of the Training School at Sitka, Alaska.

In 1886 he was the nominee of the Democratic Party in his District for Congress.

Professor Davis is 41 years of age and irreproachable in his moral character.

We have reason to believe that he will accept the position if appointed.

But if any contingency arise to prevent his accepting the position, then the Board would recommend as their second choice, the Honorable James Wheatley, now Commissioner at Fort Wrangell.

By order of the Board

Lafayette Dawson, President
of the Board.
Sheldon Jackson, Secretary.

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THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.
53 Fifth Avenue, New York.
August 20, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Brother:

Yours of the 26th ult, to Doctor Irvin, is before me. He has gone to the Pacific coast and it falls to my lot to answer my letters.

As to Fort Wrangell, I rather hope from all that has transpired that the farm implements are sold to Mr.Barnes about which I have nothing to say. What does he pay for it? Who has the money? I have nothing to say be that but probably Mrs.Young better seek some secure retreat or else some body will inquire what has become of the money. I dont know who Mr.Barnes is. If he gets his wife settled there and she is a good working member of the Church all right. I am glad you have Mr. and Mrs.Lake at Sitka and that you like them.

The printing outfit has gone to Mr.Gould - it is still supposed to be good for missionary purposes; and all the children sent to Mrs.McFarland - thats good.

Now for the future, as you say. We have appointed Rev. Allen McKay as missionary to Fort Wrangell already. He has been a missionary of ours in Washington Territory. He is probably at Wrangell at this time, and we propose to do just what you suggest when he has looked over the ground and in that matter I believe we are agreed, but we dont propose to

leave it unoccupied for the Roman Catholics or anybody else.
It is dreadfully hot to be travelling around looking for a carpenter or anybody else. If we could give us about ten days of Alaska weather we might find you twenty carpenters.
You have written to Mrs.Walker about Miss Rankin. It is probably put in good shape, though Mrs.Walker has gone to Chatauqua Lake, and I dont know but Miss Rankin and all those questions that must come up before Mrs.Walker and our Board will probably lie over until she comes back.
You say Miss Chrisholm is going to be married. That's right, marry them off soon as you can. The more good teachers you get the better it will be for the country.
Mr.Eaton will scarcely get to Alaska this summer; he can scarcely get to Maine.
Mr.Kelley has sent me brief correspondence between you and Doctor Henning about unloading freight. As it looks to me, though I suppose it is not necessary for me to say anything about it, my sympathies go with Doctor Henning. I dont know why he should be expected to undertake to do things that he dont know anything about whether it be running an engine or unloading freight. I hope he will not be found averse to doing anything that is reasonable.

Yours truly,
H.Kendall.

Juneau, Alaska.
August 21, 1888.

Dear Sir:
I have forgotten whether or no I acknowledged the receipt of $1.00 for boys. It came to hand.
As to the bell, the people who gave towards it for the most part do not care whether there is any bell school or anything. I got up the affair and bought the bell because I did not want to see another winter go by like last when there was a chance to otherwise. The bell is in the little wood house back of the school house.
We did not get the last number of the North Star." Suppose like previous numbers it went below and unlike them did not return.
We have heard nothing from Mrs.Shepard or the Board in reference to the home. I wish we would as we are pressed rather close. True the property is getting more valuable but I would rather be free and besides it is the best place for a home and a mission as things are now.
Father and mother went down on the Launch. He gave me the launch.
Kind regards from all.

Fraternally,
Eugene S.Willard.

TAMULEWOOD
Falmouth, Massachusetts.
August 29, 1888.

Reverend Mr.Jackson:
Dear Sir:

I enclose 50 cents in stamps for one copy of the North Star, and also a check for $200. for the Mission in Alaska.

If possible, I should like to have it used towards establishing a church among the Chilcats, where I understand witchcraft is believed in. I shall be glad to subscribe again when any money is needed.

Mrs.J.Arthur Beale.

Tacoma, W.T.September 1,1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Brother:

It has seemed well to me to inform you that our brother Reverend L.W.Currie of Wiawock, Alaska, peacefully passed away at 10.45 this morning at the Fanny Paddock hospital in this city. When he arrived last Sunday I was absent from the city on vacation, so that I did not get to see him until yesterday afternoon. He was then very sick but comfortable and kindly ministered to. At 6 o'clock this morning he became unconscious and breathed his last at 10.45 A.M. I have written to his wife. We will bury him here by the kindly offices of Christian affection. In his possession were two checks one for $100.00 properly endorsed; the other for $54. payable to the order of J.T.Gould but unendorsed. May the Lord comfort the bereaved.

Fraternally,
W.A. Mackay.

Mount Harmon, Connecticut.
September 4, 1888.

Doctor Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Friend:

How glad I am to get your letter. It always makes me feel happy to hear from you. I had received a letter from my dear friends and they told me I have to remain here just for the present. I hope the Lord may open my way. He knows what is best for me to be here or not. When you write again please do tell me all about the teachers and about the boys. I shall always like to hear about dear brothers and sisters We have here a thunder storm a few weeks ago, in during the thunder storm some of the people got killed. Please expect

excuse me this short note. May God bless you.
Very respectfully,
F.L.Moore.

Juneau, Alaska.
September 4, 1888.

Doctor Jackson,
Dear Brother:

After prayerful consideration we have concluded to return to the States. The state of my throat has seemed to be little improved or benefited and complete rest for several months with skilled treatment seems to be needed. As I am unwilling that the work shall remain at such a standstill and by reason of other considerations as well we deem it best to go. We expect to leave on the October Elder and go to my parent's home in New Castle, Pa., for several weeks afterwards going to Boston, Mass.

Could you furnish me with some Government works bearing on the country and people of Alaska. If you can will you kindly forward them to me at New Castle care of J.F.White and I will be glad to pay reasonable charges.

My brother's wife is not yet sick so they will still have to remain here several weeks longer before returning to Haines. Please remember me to Professor Kelly. Hoping to see you in the Keystone state if not before.

Fraternally,
J.F.White.

This note was finally paid in Washington, D.C. in the Spring of 1893.

In consideration for fourteen reindeer skins, I promise to bring or send to Koot-Ching-ah of the little Diomedes or Krusentern Island seven beaver skinns; such skins to be sent next year, either by Thetis or Bear or by one of the whaling ships as may be most convenient and most certain of being able to deliver them - in case I am unable myself for any reason to visit this section next season. This acknowledgment is given for the reason that Koot-Ching-ah insists upon my taking the reindeer skins and will accept nothing but a promise to send him the number of beaver skins mentioned above. In case for any reason I am unable to deliver the beaver skins, I will honor this paper the same as a draft for the sum of thirty dollars, if sent to any bank in Victoria, B.C. or Marquette Michigan, and I enjoin its payment upon my legal heirs or executors, whenever and wherever

presentable.

(Signed) A.P.Swineford.

Port Clarence Alaska, September 6,1888.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the original which is before me.

Given under my hand and seal of this office this 18th day of October, A.D.1890.

Yours, Sheakley, U.S.Commis.

ALBERT LEA COLLEGE.
Minneapolis, Minn.
September 6, 1888.

Dear Brother:

I notice in the press the establishment of a church for whites at Juneau. I presume they will need a minister and that they will not be crowded with applicants. I am determined to quit this college work. And prefer to labor where others do not wish to go. I am 44 years old. Have been 19 years in the ministry. Most of the time at the front. Am willing to go to Juneau or anywhere else the Lord calls me.

Write me at an early date. Address as above.

Fraternally,
M.J.Cresswell.

Any particulars in reference to Juneau or other points of work in Alaska will be acceptable.

Tacoma, W.T., September 7, 1888

Dear Brother:

I have already informed you of the death here of Reverend L.W.Currie of Klawack, Alaska. In his possession were two checks amounting to $154.00 but no cash. One is for given by you payable to W.H.McCleodand endorsed. The other is for $54.00 from the Disbursing Clerk of Interior Department payable to the order of J.L.Gould but unendorsed. Is the family left in needy circumstances?

Fraternally yours,
W.A.Mackay.

WOMEN'S HOME MISSIONS.
Delaware, Ohio.
September 10, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir:

The Centennial now in progress has caused such de-

tention t at I hope to get your valuable notice in the September paper.

I am very greatly obliged to you for the pamphlets, which I received today together with your letter of August 9th from Sitka. I shall take pleasure in their perusal and in calling attention to them. I wish to thank you again for the interest you manifest in the needs of our Society.

Yours most truly,
W.H.McCabe.

I am not a member of the Committee on course of Reading but should Alaska be taken up what book would you suggest. Committee meets early in November and should have your reply.

Fort Wrangell, Alaska,
September 10, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Doctor:

We got here all right an hour ago. I send you letter which I carried off immediately.

I find Fleming ordered Thomas deputy marshall, to aid him in evicting Mrs.Young. Thomas would not recognise an order from him, as the time elapsed. Wonder more and more that Delany will stand by Fleming in doing such things, when he says he has given no orders to do them.

James Young of Howcan is here. From his account of McLeod he has been in our employ there long enough. Why dont you complain of him for not furnishing you lumber, and suggest to the Board his displacement.

I tried to get at the facts about Mrs McFarland's school from Young. I could not get him to talk to you about it. Is she aiming at a Home or a training school? The latter we dont want. Sitka is our centre. Homes, at Juneau, Wrangell and Howcan should contribute to it. There should be unity of plan. You are the man to insist on this. I wish I could have had a look at Howcan, GF, and Kin. Could are all right. But I dont understand Mrs.McFarland's ideas.

I cant write with this pen. Kindest regards to all at the school.

Very truly yours,
William Irvin, Sec.

Would it not be well for you to say to Mr.Delany that this infringement of our lease is something we shall complain of.

Guilford, Conn.
September 12, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

A few days ago I wrote to Mrs.Austin at Sitka, on a subject in which I am interested, it now occurs to me that she may be away or unable to be bothered with it and therefore perhaps it would be better policy memorialize you an another string to the same bow.

I wrote to the National Museum in Washington asking them if they had a loom which the Chilcats use to weave their dancing blankets upon? I wrote calmly supposing they would answer in the affirmative and tell me in what room and section I could find in the Museum. Imagine therefore my surprise at receiving as answer that they had the blankets, but no loom nor even the drawing of a loom and that they had no idea how the fabric was woven and asking me if I could do anything about getting a loom. The luck is sad. I feel like rushing to Sitka at once and swooping down upon a loom and carrying it off. But it would be easy to get someone else who is perhaps there at the present moment as I hope you are, to see to it for me. Will you therefore find out if one can buy a loom and how much it would cost transportation and all and what to do in general about it.

Fancy Congress being yet in session and General Hawley says they will not be out for three weeks yet.

Remember me to Mrs.Jackson if she is with you.

This is written to ask you to take steps in case Mrs. Austin is too busy or is absent, because you are as likely to be interested for the Museum as anyone else I know.

Very truly yours,
Kate Foote.

Marshfield, Massachusetts.
September 13, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Brother:

Your letter has been received also papers and Gov. reports and would have been acknowledged immediately had not the pressure of work been almost overwhelming. Alaska itself has been in the way. Mrs.Dargett of Boston, conceived the brilliant idea of having my lecture on Alaska stipiedm and sent West to be read at a Conference and I have been obliged to drop everything else and copy it or as much of it as I could.

Tomorrow I have to go to Boston and speak Friday eve and Sunday then to Connecticut for two weeks speaking every evening and twice or more on Sunday.

When I return I have my hands full of writing, and so

the days go on. I have to give up almost all reading (except on music lines) music sewing etc but try to do as much parish work when I am at home, as I could if I did not have this outside work. Sometimes I think all this is pretty wearing then I think of the missionaries especially those in Alaska and am sure if they are ready to bear the heavy burden of the hand to hand fight we ought certainly to furnish the "sinews of war."

I am very glad for the papers etc which you have sent, though it has been impossible for me to do more than read a few words here and there in each.

I am going to send for all the Home Mission leaflets as soon as I have time to look them over.

My heart aches over the condition of our country and the prevailing indifference.

I believe as I said last night in an Home Mission address people seem to think God will take care of the U.S. anyway but if we do not obey God's command, and preach the Gospel to every creature we have no patent right on his protection. But, I must close this hurriedly written letter with earnest wishes for your success in Alaska.

Yrs.Rev. E.C.Alger .

U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey,
San Francisco, California.
September 17, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Commissioner of Education,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I enclose a letter addressed to Kohklux the chief of the Chilkats; the chief who has the bullet hole in his cheek, and at whose village up the Chilkat River I observed the total eclipse of 1869.I have a lively recollection of his great kindness to me, and I have written to tell him that there will be a partial eclipse January 1, 1889: Of course he will come to you to have the letter read and explained and I beg you will do so for his former good will and assistance. please get the letter to him.

You will be astonished that nothing has been done about the tidal observation at Sitka; but the delay in passing the Sundry Civil Bill is the responsible cause. And now I doubt whether the observations will be made before Spring even if the bill should pass at once.

Very respectfully and sincerely

George Davidson.

Jackson, , Alaska.
September 24, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson , D.D.

Sir:

Yours of the 27th of July and August 15th received to-day. I used your check to but logs to fill your order and the lumber was and is being need for the Kyuk Mission buildings. I cannot sign your receipt and I am sure the Board will not refuse to pay you. I shall write Mr.Eaton this mail about it. You seem to doubt me. Your duty is to report me at once. I thank you for thepapers and remain

Very respectfully,
W.D. McLeod.

Jackson, Alaska.
September 26, 1888.

Dear Sir:

Yours of July 27 and August 9th came yesterday the mails much delayed. Esq.Young had a damp and windy bridal tour but came in bright and happy.

The school house pleases the teacher and school very prosperous. We will be disappointed if we do not see you this autumn.

The Anoon left us abundant supplies in excellent shape September 13th.

Wood account cashed O.K. Yeatz is reported much better We are very grateful for this also for faithful prayers and kindly sympathy of friends. If you can secure rent I do not know how far back you may be authorized to go nor what might be deemed a fair rate. Will be satisfied with $4.00 a month what is just.

When shall I send wood account for this yeart ...ave come on hand.

Bartered the other day for those crouching carvings but not to much purpose. I can get small imitations of the different totems with the carvers interpretation costing $8. to $10. 18 in to 25 in. Size ... carried away $16 to $20. Would the Society want something of this kind at the price?

The outlook for church work is fairly encouraging. I miss my family you know how it is. Is it easier after one gets used to it? or does he ever get so?

I am very sorry for the Currie family.. I cannot hope to see him return to Alaska.

Hoping you may be prosperous in all good work I remain.

Fraternally yours,
J.Loomis Gould.

DISTRICT OF ALASKA.
Fort Wrangell, Alaska.
September 29, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Friend:

I have received your several favors of recent date and am under many obligations for expressions of kind regard.

Mr.Fleming has carried his spite and persecution against Mrs.Young to the extent of having Mr.Barnes arrested for going into his own house. Mrs.Young and Mr.Burns will go to Sitka on the First boat.

Any thing that you can do to assist them will be in the right direction and in the interest of decency and religious liberty.

Very truly yours,
James Sheakley.

P.S. We will be glad to welcome you to our home when you arrive in this classic town of Wrangell.

Miss McAvoy opened her school on Monday the 24th inst.

We got five tons of coal from the Idaho for which we had to pay sixteen dollars per ton. We had also to pay 75 cts. duty which I think is not legal as there is no duty to be paid on anything for the use of the Government. Please see the Collector at Sitka and have the matter corrected.

J.S.

LAKE MOHONK MOUNTAIN HOUSE.
Lake Mohonk, New York.
September 20, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter giving account of the cottages and their prospective occupantsreached me here. I am greatly obliged to you, and pleased that the $1,000. is to be of more service than I had supposed possible.

The account you give will be incorporated in my report to the National Association and I shall be very glad if the photographs you so kindly offer to send me.

It is my custom to take a note for the amount of loan payable - say in five years from date (without interest of course) - also a mortgage on each house. I hope this part of the business will not trouble you.

I wish you had been here for the conference on Indian Affairs. It was quite a lively one - the discussion on the educational feature of the platform being especially animated.

Very truly yours,
Sara T.Kinney.

We will send some things for three families and perhaps money to buy a few single article for the new homes.

THE HOME OF HOME MISSIONS
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Dear Brother:

We want to get out a campaign document, "Fresh facts" has been a good title, perhaps we will make that the title of the new leaflet. We want to hear from all parts of the field and yet we want to make the leaflet short. What fresh facts have you on your field? Please look the thing over and give us boiled down enough for your share.

Second. You see that the December number of the "Church at Home and Abroad" had for its Monthly Concert, Missionary work in the Whole Country. After the meetings of the Presbyteries and Synods, we want you to tell us that. What about the spiritual condition of your work; is there peace and harmony; are the workers doing well? Some of them we know need your watching; some have not first rate judgment; some have very little energy. You cannot of course specify individual cases very much, but we would like you to furnish us with what would be helpful in that line.

Third. In the Presbyteries and Synods, cant you give a direction and impetus to the Missionary work in your bounds? We fail greatly in getting men; what are we to do? Cant you work up the spirit of revival; cant you encourage the brethren in that direction? You see our additions on profession this year are not as many as they were last year. We need a wide spread revival of religion. Cant you talk it up? Pray over it. Have your beginning of it in the meetings of Presbytery and Synod. Please write in due season and with care.

Yours truly,
H.Kendall.

Juneau, Alaska.
October 1, 1888.

Doctor Jackson:

Dear Sir:

I hear this morning that Mr.Johnston has told the children to stay away from school because, he thinks at the next meeting of the Board he will be appointed to take my place. I shall "pursue the even tenor of my way until you come. - Oh, I am so anxious to see you.

Will you please sound Keatly on the subject and bring me

word as to his views.
I hear Mr.Johnstone is looking for much help from Judge Shakely - what think you?

In haste,
Rhoda A.Lee.

Karta Bay, Alaska, Oct.6,1886.

Mr.Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Sir:
I have always thought that my children would be well off there in that industrial school but I have heard so many times that they are not and that they even dont look like themselves and are all at working themselves to death. I have given you my children to learn to read and write and talk goo english but they are doing nothing but heard work. I think they will work themselves to death before 2 years in the early days the Indians new nothing and now every Indian knows better you are getting for taking care of the children that are there and why not see that they are improving and learning something better and have something good to eat. and I hope you will be kind enough to think of as your own children. There father was a white man and they not stand as much hardships as these rough Indians.

Yours truly,
Mrs.L.F.Shrumwich.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U.S.BUREAU OF EDUCATION.
Territorial Board of Education.
Sitka, Alaska.
October 8, 1886.

Mr.A.J.Davis,
Dear Friend:
The next steamer (October 22) will probably carry my resignation to Washington. In view of it, some weeks ago I carried through the Territorial Board of Education the following paper -
See letter asking for appointment of Mr.Davis General Agent dated August 14th 1886 and signed by Judge Dawson President and myself Sec.)
Judge Dawson shares with me in grave apprehensions lest some unsuitable man should secure the place. And as there is also considerable apprehension that the Commissioner will not allow you sufficient salary to warrant your accepting an appointment we thought it refer to indicate Judge Sheakley as our second choice, as probably he would accept the position at $1400. which I receive. His present position of U.S

is only $1000. Mr.Kelly informs me that he understands that Governor Swineford has attempted to prejudice you in the estimation of the Commissioner of Education. If this is so you will have to work harder in Washington for the position. If I could have been sure that you would be appointed I would have resigned one or two years ago. But the drift of things seemed the other way, and I have held on at great personal sacrifice hoping for a more favorable outlook, until I am unwilling to be separated from my family any longer

I presume that Governor Swineford will press Mr.J.B.Johnstone for the position, as I understand he has been an applicant for over a year past. Mr.Kelly has probably written you about Mr.Johnston's course up here. He would soon pull down what I have labored for years to build up. There is a screw loose somewhere in his character.

If the resignation goes forward, as I now expect, I will telegraph you by the same steamer so that you will know it, about a week before they do in Washington. If you can secure Congressman Scott's active influence with the Commissioner of Education I think you would secure the place. Upon receiving my letter following telegram I think it will be wise for you to go on to Washington. And if there are any Democratic Congressmen in the city or other prominent officials or Mr.Jepka will accompany you to Colonel Dawson, go to see him in person and apply for the position. Also find out what salary will be allowed. If you find you cannot arrange it satisfactorily for yourself there please throw your influence for Judge James Keasley, who formerly represented Western Pa., in Congress. Since the action of the Board, August 14, the Body has almost completely changed August 14 Judge Dawson and myself were the Board. Gov Governor Swineford has returned. Judge Dawson has resigned and Judge Keasley of Council Bluffs been appointed in his place, and Judge James Keasley and Mr.William Duncan of Sitkahtla added, so that now the Territorial Board is composed of five, of whom three are new men. We expect a full meeting of the new Board at Sitka on October 19th or 20th; when I will watch my chance and try to secure your endorsement from the new Board. I shall return to Carlisle, Pa. the last of November Please express the map of Alaska to me at 125 South Hanover St., Carlisle, Pa. Praying that God will guide us in these matters and overrule all for his own glory I remain

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson.

P.S.Commissioner Dawson has written Judge Keatley lately asking his views concerning dividing the field. That is leaving Southeast Alaska as at present with a General Agent and Territorial Board.

But cutting off Western Alaska from their jurisdiction and administering it directly from the Bureau at Washington.

If this is done I shall apply for the place at Washington as it will allow my being with my family during the winter months at least.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson.

Juneau, Alaska, October 23,1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson
Dear Sir:

Mrs.Ham this mail informs me that my request to be relieved has been accepted by the Ladies' Board.

I have written her this mail about Mr.Shotter. But I refer her to you for recommendation. He told me he understood a water mill thoroughly. I am still at work and will stay so until froze out or relieved.

Very truly yours,
W.D.McLeod.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska,
October 27, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Dear Doctor Jackson;

This is to inform you of my marriage last Sabbath night October 24, to Mr.W.G.Thomas of this place.

I did not know the consummation was so near when I saw you, or I would have told you.

I am happy in my choice, for I not only have a most loving husband and friend, but also one who will enter into all my plans of work here.

You must not fear that my teaching will be less earnestly done. I will find many little difficult things taken off my hands, and, as I will not keep house, nothing will be added.

I will have more church work than usual this winter. Mrs.McKay doesn't play and Mr.McKay doesn't even sing.

I will have to be present at every service, both week day and Sabbath. I am very hopeful and happy concerning all the work here.

Mrs.Young is gone. We miss her of course.

My husband joins me in kind regards and a wish for your continued friendship.

Most sincerely,
Mrs.Lyda McAvoy Thomas.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
Boston, Mass October 29, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:
Why no word has come from you was a mystery. I did not know what to think. Whether you were in Heaven or where you may imagine all my discomforture when no one could go to A: this year then added to this no reply to my letters was near ly distracting. Today I learn from Mr.Tuck that he has had word from you that he is to go in Spring to Unalaska. I supposed Mr.Baker had first-choice. He thought he could go in Spring.

Supposing my letters - I dont know how many - have not reached you I rested - apart. The moment your letter came I sent it (will not stop to copy) to Brother B. waited, waited and waited no answer! Then wrote Mr.Tuck no answer for a long time then it came from "Down East." I then telegraphed him asking if he would go. Reply will be at your house in a few days! Came but could not raise money enough to take him there. Then telegraphed Brother Carr repeatedly. Last steamer was to sail September 6. I spent 10 days on Tuck and Carr without avail. About then a few days before last boat Carr got home. When he found my letter to him of early date. Too late to get ready and get to California in time. There are 6 rooms already rented with his brother & the boy (Miss Foss whom you know at Washington had $1.00 towards the hundred dollars required. All could have been raised could I have said as soon as we have the money the Home will be made ready, but with this indefiniteness I have not pressed the matter - have let it run itself. I am greatly pleased (or would be did I not feel conscience smitten with no more light and hope than we have) at the extending and increasing depth of interest in the work. Could I have guessed where you were I should have written you to ask whether there was any other place which we could have in which the Commissioner would take more interest in than in Unalaska. When I wrote him about Brother Arms (because I did not know where you were) he replied that Mr.Arms was not wanted nor needed at Unalaska. It was simply shown that they could not go there. A letter from Mrs.A. at Conception Chili a few days since says she is doing her best there but her heart is in Alaska. A college graduate could not be sent to teach a Primary school because he could not present a line of Certification.

I did not send the electrotype because I supposed you must be away somewhere. I will do so now gladly. Do let me hear something.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs.L.H.Daggett, Sec.

Long Beach, Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

I have just written to the Stated Clerk of Presbytery of Alaska for another letter of dismissal, this time to the Presbytery of Los Angeles. You remember mine was to the Presbytery of San Francisco. I came immediately from Portland to Los Angeles via Sacramento, having prospects of work and was almost immediately settled here. I have received and accepted calls from the churches of Long Beach and Wilmington and arrangements have been made for my installation as soon as my letter can be received and my name enrolled. By the rules of San Francisco Presbytery I would have to await a meeting of that Presbytery and appear in person before it present my letter and be enrolled, then dismissed to the Presbytery of Los Angeles. So the Presbytery of Los Angeles directed me to send to Alaska for a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Los Angeles and directed the S.C. to enroll me on its arrival and a Committee to install me. The churches here and at Wilmington are awaiting the letter that I may be installed.

Will you kindly draw one up, sign it and send to Brother White that he may also sign it and forward at once to me.

I thoroughly enjoyed the meetings of Presbytery and Synod at Los Angeles and Pasadena and was mentally and spiritually refreshed. Met many personal friends of yours Doctor Irwin and his wife were at Synod, and so I got the latest news from Alaska.

I am well suited in my location here - am by the sea, in a delightful climate and a beautiful country. Am 22 miles from Los Angeles with Railroad connection. The town is rapidly growing and the church which was only organized in June, has excellent prospects. The society and schools are excellent. Am anxiously awaiting the arrival of my family from Alaska.

Please send me the North Star, and have back numbers to August sent. If Mrs.Young has not already done so I will subscribe. Please tell me thenews and prospects. What will poor Mrs.Curry do?

Remember me kindly to the other members.

Yours in the work,
S.Hall.Young.

Metlakahtla, Alaska.
November 6, 1898.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

I expect this note to meet you at Tongue Narrows on your way East. I sent the silver spoons by purser and hope you

got them safely.

If you have time to drop me a line by bearer please let me know if I shall continue to send our Monthly Reports of school here during your absence from Alaska and if so to whom they are to be addressed.

Our school is now being well attended - from 130 to 140 in daily attendance.

The two sick boys, Alen and Arthur, are improving very slowly. Theirtrip by Idaho did them much harm on account of the crowding and incessant noise they had to endure.

By this mail I hope to drop a line or two to the post Office authorities. We shall of course not succeed in getting the steamer to call here with mail but I think we ought to have the men who fetch it from the steamer paid by the Steamer or by the Post-office authorities. It is hard upon me to have to pay for bringing the mail every week when the steamer did not come in.

The man who usually goes to Tongas Narrows for our mail about 30 miles there and back - would be willing to contract for the work at the rate of 6.00 per trip. He finding canoe and the help he will require. Or by the year he would be willing no doubt to do the work for $250. For this he would go every week to Tongas Narrows, except about eight times in the year, when the steamer comes here with freight.

If we cannot by law receive our mail nearer than Loring the expense will be twice as much if not more and the inconvenience to us we would lead us to beg that the office be discontinued and let us have our mail as now from Tongas Narrows.

I had hoped by this Mail to have forwarded to Mr. Strong at Portland a letter and statement from our people in reference to their property in British Columbia. They are not ready however, and so we must try and get them off by next steamer.

It is hard for such a people as ours - struggling as they are to break their way to a higher life to be robbed of their hard earnings and their better impulses checked by such hard treatment as they have to endure. I hope something will be done for them. We must let you have a copy of our affidavits when complete and also list of losses.

Our people are hoping that that Mr.Strong will draw up a Memorial or petition for them to go to Washington.

We shall be very grateful for any help you can render to our cause.

The weather is very unpropitious for building our school but we are going steadily on - preparing moterial and the ground.

We have just finished with our first case of liquor selling to Indian. The convicted parties promise to amend their ways. The fine of $50.00 will go to Sitka by next

steamer. Hoping you will have a safe journey home and a safe journey back, I remain

Yours sincerely,
W.Duncan.

I am sending $10.00 to Anson for fare of T.Eaton.

WOMAN'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS.
53 Fifth Avenue, New York,
November 7, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Brother in Christ:
Yours of October 29th came duly to hand also one from Mr.Eaton about same time. We are fully convinced that he will never be able to accomplish anything with the sawmill. He has not the stability or business capability necessary. We have been on the lookout and competent men to take the place as far without success. Mr.Gould would not do as he had his own work to attend to and we would know no more about the financial part of the business than we do now. as it is not possible to get a satisfactory statement in regard to work in his own department. Probably whatever lumber has been made has been used in the Home building there are discouraged as you may readily imagine about this sawregardless of the object for which the money was sent. We still business so much money expended and so little realized.

We cannot do our work as Mr.Duncan does. He has one station and has the entire supervision of it in all of its departments. We do our work at arms length and no one of the Board who go takes time to investigate or inspect thoroughly any one station. I learned less than a week ago that Doctor Irving has been there in his recent trip. I do not think that any of the W.E.Committee know that he was going so far North.

A great affliction has come upon Mr and Mrs.Gould in the death last week of their daughter, and the saddest part of it is that Mrs.Gould was absent attending the Synodical meeting at Newcastle, Pa., at the time. She had been away from her attending meetings nearly six weeks, supposing the daughter was convalescing. We feel this deeply fearing we were not considerate enough, although no one of us would for the world have kept her from her dear child if we had suspected such a termination to this sickness. We can only ask our Father to sustain her and her husband for under such trying circumstances no human words can be spoken. Job 2.13 expresses our feelings. Enclosed please find a check from Mr.Ham, for money from your investment with him. He unites with me in kindest remembrance and love and an earnest wish that you may be kept in health, physically and spiritually.

Yours in Christ,
Cornelia F.Ham.

Metlakahtla, Alaska.
November 9, 1886.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

I received your letter by Idaho enclosing voucher which I will send to Washington.

I regret very much the action of the school board in reference to the Scriptures and corporal punishment. Both appear to me to be very essentials in education. Of all places in the world - Alaska so barren of restraints - is the very last place in the world to dispense with such effective help to right training.

I suppose you will be leaving Sitka by this Idaho. Pray drop in a line at Tongas Narrows.

I sincerely hope Mr.Kelly may discover the cause of ill health among the Metlakahtla boys. The parents of four men of the boys have been to us expressing this anxiety in reference to the health of their children or account of the have brought them by T.Nation. In thinking over the matter I think your very warm school room may have something to say to the troubles. I fear the boys hug the stove and after breathing the hot air for some hours rush heedlessly into the cold air and wet without due regard to their wraps.

You saw the chinks in our school. We have no fire and though 150 in attendance we have not one sick.

The big boys have gotten so inured to an out-door life I fear the close and confined life is working hard for them but with due caution they may be helped through.

Yours very sincerely,
W.Duncan

Jackson, Alaska.
November 9, 1886.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Brother:

I learn a Tsimpsean known as "Henry Haldane" is at your place. Some years ago he was married to a Wydah girl "Matilda" by name. They have been separated, he told me two years ago that he would get a divorce but I think has not done so.

She has been and is living with another man. They are a nice quiet people and get on amicably together; are church people, but I cannot baptize them nor their children under the existing conditions. He should certainly release her from her vow to him - Haldane. Will you look after the

matter and let us know.
Please remind Maldone of his promise and the matter of injustice to Matilda and ask him to attend to the matter immediately that I may relieve the anxiety of H.Barring this their relation two of our most exemplary Hydahs.

Fraternally,
J.Loomis Gould.

New Metlakahtla, Alaska.
November 11, 1888.

Dear Sir:
I send these few words to you concerning my son Abel. We wanted to school where you are. We only told to me and I let him there because they have heard concerning your business and they hear you will come. Since we saw you came here to carry our children there. We know you are great Doctor, we wrote our name among our children how long they will stay in these schools at Sitka. That we did n't our duty, how long they will be in school. I heard concerning my son Abel that he got sick in his eyes about 6 weeks so I sent you a short. Though you are in many business at our children, to God in Heaven. If my son will sick so much I beseech you to send him back home. Dear Sir, for you know that we keeps our children so careful they are more worth. For I want you to help my child to know the mighty God in Heaven and to help my heart about my son there, suppose he would sick so much and will have hard for me. I asked you to obey my voice about my son Abel.

Harry Karlton.

New Metlakahtla, Alaska.
November 13, 1888.

Dear Sir:
If you find my poor letter to you there. I know you are in truth of God in the modest way, I wish to answer to me here if you know concerning my son Abel. Now dear Sir, at this end of my words now, I guess you expected for God will hold you.
I know you come here at Fort Chester last spring. I sent my loving thanks for you works for our children.

Yours truly,
Harry Karlton.

COYLE, McCANDLISH & COMPANY.
Philadelphia, Pa.
November 13, 1888.

My dear Mr.Miller:

Possibly you may have read the enclosed slip, which I cut from last evening's Telegraph. The whole thing is simply Horrible: what must be the details? I wondered, as I read it, if there could not be something done. and thought it possible Bryn Mawr church might be accepted by God as a medium to at least start the work of reform. I know how your heart will go out with mine for those poor wretches. What would you think of this suggestion if there is any doubt in your mind as to the correctness of this report for you to write to Mr.Jackson in regard to it - if substantiated by him let a few of our active members be invited to meet together, or if thought desirable a congregational meeting be called - the delicacy of some of the details might make the latter objectionable - and the best course to pursue decided on. I spoke to Mr.Hamilton about it, running in on the train this morning and he thought by all means it should be agitated and suggested it be brought up in prayer meeting and this recital read. My idea would be that a communication setting forth the facts and signed by all the members of the Congregation a full Congregational appeal, be sent one to our member of Congress from our District, one to Senator Quay whom I have read the riot act up at a Mother's knee however deep he may now be in politics and one to President Cleveland, and if he will take no notice of it, follow it up with one to President Harrison when he takes his seat. It would do no harm to add one each to one member and Senator at Harrisburg and ask them to bring it before their representative bodies in the shape of a Resolution, asking Congress to thoroughly investigate the whole matter. It seems to me if this was pushed by one united church, and followed up by earnest prayer to God for His blessing on the effort from each individual member of the Church, it would not go without a blessing.

Some one of our many good people might suggest some better plan, but this came first to my mind and I hastily jot it to you, while business waits. Hurriedly, but

sincerely yours,
W.M.Candlish.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL
Clarion, Pa.,
November 19, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter of October 30 is just received. I am well satisfied that you have concluded to remain at the helm.

Harrison's election will change many things in Alaska and elsewhere.

I wish you could be appointed Commissioner of Education I would be willing, I think be sure in Alaska with you at the helm. If General Harrison would be careful in his appointments I think I could easily support him for reelection Can we not work for your appointment to the commissionership and so get Alaska affairs into correct hands? I almost wish I had trained with the Republican party so as to apply for the Governors job. With you at Washington and me on the Board of Education along with a few good men appointed by you we could put affairs through into favorable shape during the next administration. Should you be compelled to come home before the close of the present administration I stand ready to hold the position until you can have things your own way under the new administration.

I am well satisfied with the result of the election. I think General Harrison will be an excellent President.

Very truly your friend,
A.J.Davis.

Metlakahtla, Alaska.
November 12, 1920.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter of the 7th just reached us last night. It came from Ft. Wrangel by Chief Shakes who is paying us a visit.

We hope to see the Idaho here now weeks hence - and will have the lumber you order for Williamson Vessel ready to ship by then.

The vouchers you sent us some time ago are to hand and and will be posted to Washington by mail.

We are printing our first number of the "Metlakahtlan." If it is ready in time for next Annex we shall send you a copy to meet you at Tongas Narrows for I suppose you will be going East by her.

We are having a tremendous gale of wind and several valuable canoes have been smashed by falling trees - but no worse accidents I am thankful to say.

Our new school frame is up but owing to bad weather our progress in building is very slow - still we are happy to finish it upon Christmas.

Can you tell us if "Thanksgiving Day" has been appointed this year? We have seen no notice of it in the papers. Perhaps the authorities are waiting to get the Presidential election over. If you can give us any information on the subject we shall be very glad as I am anxious our people should learn to observe the day.

Yours very sincerely, W.Duncan.

Letter-W.D.

FRIEND'S MISSION.
Douglass City, Alaska
November 25, 1882.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Friend:

I am glad to inform you that our school is moving along nicely and the whites are sending their children. We are intending to have two Christmas trees - one for the whites and one for the Indians separately which has a gratifying effect upon both sexes especially the whites. I saw Judge Keatly at Juneau and he promised to come over but is too busy now. I told him reconciliation was made. We will move our school house next week which will leave three months rent on the former house.

Your friend,

---.....E..E..Voorhees..

Bethlehem, Pa.
November 26, 1882.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Reverend and Dear Brother:

Hoping that you may have returned from Alaska and that a letter will reach you at Carlisle, I venture to address you at that place.

We are very anxious to have your kind advice in regard to our Mission and school work in Alaska. The Reports of our Missionaries at Bethel and Carmel have been quite encouraging, and especially at Bethel a work of grace and awakening among the natives appears to have commenced. We find that it will be necessary to send additional laborers and teachers to both stations and hence have called for volunteers to go to Alaska the coming spring. This will of course materially increase the expenses of the work and hence we are anxious to ascertain what financial aid we may expect from the United States government. Would you advise us to apply directly to the Commissioner of Education at Washington or what steps had best be taken? Have you received the School Reports of Rev'ds Wolff and Kilbuck. I have copies of Mr. Wolffs reports for last winter but nothing from Mr. Kilbuck. Unfortunately the last letter and reports from Bethel have been lost or miscarried and all attempts to find them have hitherto been in vain.

Should I send on to Washigton Mr. Wolff's reports or would you consider it advisable that I go to Washington myself and have an interview with the Commissioner of Education?

Knowing your kind and fraternal interest in our affairs any advice you may give us will be highly appreciated.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely your brother
Robert de Schweinitz.

357 Benefit Street, Providence. R.I.
November 28, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

You may possibly remember me as the bearer to you of a letter from Mr. Herbert Welsh of Philadelphia.

I had the pleasure to call upon you when in Sitka last summer - about the 4th of July.

You told me among other things that you had been instrumental in securing a division of Alaska among the various religious bodies of our country. I should be extremely obliged if you would inform me what districts or parts of Alaska have been taken by the several bodies indicating the territory of each. I can readily procure a map here and ascertain the location of the places you may mention.

At the recent Missionary Council of the Episcopal Church the question of appointing a Bishop for Alaska was discussed and the matterwas temporarily postponed.

Your reply will very much oblige

Yours truly,
John Nicholas Brown.

San Francisco, California.
November 28, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Mr.S.Hamilton, of Pittsburg, has sent us a list of instruments which he is endeavoring to make up to send to you for the use of some boys who wish to form a band. He desires us to send one or two instruments out of the list, expecting to get other dealers to contribute until the whole number is completed.

We, accordingly, send by the steamer sailing on the 30th

1---------- E flat------ Cornet, French piston
1----------pair 12 inch Cymbals,

We contribute this with much pleasure and trust the whole set will be completed in time and that they will contribute to the enjoyment of the Indian boys.

Yours truly,
Koller and Chase.

Indianapolis, Indiana.
December 4, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.
My dear Sir:-
Your letter of November 16th has been received and I am very much obliged to you for your friendly congratulations. It will give me pleasure to give especial attention to any appointments that I may be called upon to make for Alaska.
Very truly yours,
Benjamin Harrison.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY of the
Methodist Episcopal Church.
Boston, Mass., December 5,1888.

Reverend Doctor Jackson:
Dear Brother:
Yours of November 16, came to hand today. I really cannot understand whyany several letters - asking questions I needed answers to were not received by you. I began to think you had become discouraged that we were not ready a second time. We were ready. I had not much patience to spare when after all the trouble I had taken and made you take both these men should say "I have not money enough to pay the expenses of passage and getting settled," when they knew from the outset that they were to do this. One thing I wrote you was to what I did to reach anyone of these three men. It is not necessary to repeat it, only this I spent 10,21 in telegrams alone to reach Brother Carr. When I did reach him it was too late for him to settle some business on hand and so.

I may add that possibly Brother Baker has some excuse at least he thinks he had. He says you wrote him you would have his Commission sent to him. He never received it and so supposed the Commission declined to accept him. He was to raise money upon a Life Insurance Policy but I did not want to until he knew he was to go. This he did not know until you ordered him to forward march and even then felt a little timid lest you did not know he had not received his Commission but he could not arrange for money in time. He was at Chatauqua - had ordered his mails forwarded which the Postmaster declared he did. After he returned home among a lot of circulars and papers he found my letters telling him your orders!

Now to business I am not able to understand your reference to our Mission. You say "Had Methodists etc. they would have had a successful mission by this time." Does this mean anything as to the present?

Also, that these brothers are not to go until reappointed. Does this indicate any doubt as to their reappointment? You close by saying you need my assistance etc. Why my

dear Brother, I relied upon you implicitly, entirely.
Sometimes when I see what is raised and what continues to be done and I no position knowledge of its ever being used for Alaska I feel like a culprit. Now pray tell me if there is any reason that you know of that prevents us from carrying out the long laid plans for us or that you fear? Again you speak as if Unga might be preoccupied. By whom? and is there a probability of it? You must not withhold from me any of the dark any more than light features. I felt not a little hurt that I had from Miss Foss at Washington information given her by you of a discouraging nature. You had never told me. As the Secretary of the Bureau it is my duty to know all there is to be known about, not only our own work but of Alaskan interests. I have made this a positive and imperative duty. But you well know I depend upon you for all I can have. When Brother Arms was almost demanded for Chile I had to decide at once. Not knowing where you were - the mails had to be forwarded indefinitely I wrote Dawson stating precisely the position and asked whether there was any definite knowledge as to his going to Unalaska during the season. His answer by telegram was "Mr. Arms not needed nor wanted in Alaska." Later wrote to same effect. Also that he had never been appointed." Of course I could not reply to these statements without implicating you. This I could not do but it was a mystery all the same. From various directions come to me statements that Unalaska does not need Mission work. The Greek church does all we could do etc. Now whether Dawson meant the same or that he had his own reasons for not wanting a Methodist man there of course I have no way to learn except through you. I have accepted your assurance that this is the best place for our Home, and must continue to do so until informed by you to the contrary or positive proof comes as an unwelcome guest from some other source. Now please promise me to give me any fears you may have for our failure to establish the Home there upon a successful basis. Also if we are to be shut out from Unga.

And here I must say that fear dictates that if Possibly it would be better to return Brother Carr to that place therefor anyone else to go. He evidently gained their confidence in full. He certainly is a cautious prudent man - fully consecrated man - a man who can "make money" at home and yet in very last letter to me of a week since he says "I will hold myself in readiness if the Lord so derects to go back to Unga. In an earlier one he said "I frankly acknowledge I would rather stay at home," but if he is wanted he will go. That is my kind of a missionary. "Wherever God wants I'll go."

In this last letter he enclosed a letter from a man there saying he wanted the Government to understand the school house they have built is their own not Governments.

Now in this comes the question - which I have asked Brother C. Whose is it. Greek Church? or individuals?

I would rather have no woman's work there than to lose the certainty that a Protestant man would have a welcome there.

Do you see all the newspaper stories of astounding cruelties of whites including Government officers and soldiers to native women? Today an article appears most bitterly accusing Alaska Canning Co. If I can get more papers I will send you one and shall be glad to have immediately your belief of the statements. Please also inform me who and w at Mrs.E.B.Voorhees of New York is if you know her. She says she visited Sitka she last year.

Will the charge there please you in better or worse position?

Mrs.Senator Teller formerly Mrs.Teller has readily secured a position upon Alaska Bureau. In what way can she best aid at Washington?

September 11, Bureau said "no appropriation had been made for Alaska. What can you do? or what are you doing.

We made a strong appeal to our Missionary (Presb) Society to send a family to Sitka. Many strong men of the Committee including Secretary Stebbins heard for it. A reduction was made in appropriation for old Sitka. "No more could be had."

Please write me fully (if this has better success than others in reaching you.). Didn't send electrotype because I did not know but you had gone where papers reported you to have gone last year. Will send it now. Another thing comes to me just this minute that I wrote about in one of my letters. That for every share these Methodist women pay sold were there would take in Juneau Log Cabin, I would take my pay for in North Star; i.e. they pay you the $2 etc and I would dispose of paper (or give it away) and enter name upon list of shareholders. I run my risk for getting money for paper. If not I pay for a share myself. I suppose I must put some limit to this and we say up to ten. If any are thus disposed let me know and I will send names for you to send them to and you send me names to enter. I will enclose a dollar bill for the last year and the preceding one to me.

Yours most sincerely for Christ and humanity,
Mrs.L.J.Daggett.
Per.A.H.

Juneau, Alaska.
December 7, 1898.

Doctor Jackson:
Dear Brother:

I was on the lookout for you by last steamer found a letter in the office that told of your coming. I have

some favors to ask of you and I think you are about the only person who could make a straight shot.

The people of Juneau have got you booked for Governor. You have a good many friends here but this one dont look to see you Governor but what I would like to see would be that you step in at the head of the Bureau of Education when you have the machine by the handle.

Have you any books "Life in Alaska?" If you have a copy please bring it with you when you come. My last is gone at what price can I get them?

If by any possible mishap I should miss seeing you to put in a strong word for G.W.Garside for Marshall what he wants to be and what I would like to see him is Surveyor-General in order to be that as you know he hast's to be Marshall. I know of no one now in Alaska or who has been here who can fill the bill - for us as well as for all 1/2 as well as Garside can.

So if I may ask any favors for Government positons it is that you use your influence for Garside as United States Marshall but I hope to see you and (D.V.) will, when you pass through on the Idaho for the East; for there are other matters that I wish to talk to you about.

Such as a church building for whites here in Juneau. A very important question to us, also, our Home building. We are in deep water - too deep for us. The Board has not yet thrown out an anchor neither have we heard from Mrs.Shepard.

We have 24 in the Home. We ought also to count Henry though he sleeps in the steamer. We are too crowded.

Have you (or anybody) unpacked the "Transit" I wish I had the unpacking to do and the adjusting. Is there a rod and chain etc. Is there anybody in Sitka who can run a course with it?

Kindest regards and Christian love from us all.

Fraternally,
Eugene S.Willard.

NORTHFIELD SEMINARY.
Northfield, Mass.
December 8, 1888.

Doctor Jackson:

Dear Sir:

Frederick Moore tells me that you are probably by this time at Carlisle, Pa, so I write to send you greeting.

I also would like to know when you will come to Northfield to visit us, and to see the girls. They are this year with the approval of Mrs.Shepard in private families fourteen miles from here. They are doing well. Much better than they are doing here. They are at West Swansey, N.H.

and I shall want to take you there to see them. It will therefore be necessary that you come during term time. Our vacation begins Wednesday December 19th and closes Wed Jan. 2 and the girls have their examinations at the same time as ours, and then vacation at the same time. I had supposed that they would remain in West Swanaay during vacation, but the ladies who have the care of them think that better work would be done by both themselves and the girls if the girls go away for vacation. They are a great care and I think the ladies are right, so have planned for the girls to go to suitable places. Olga I shall take home with me and the others will go to the same places where they were during the summer.

Unless you can come next week (from Monday December 10 to Saturday December 15) I think you would better wait until the second week in January. I shall be glad also to have you speak to the girls here at the Seminary. Miss Hall is away for the greater part of this year and I am acting principal in her place.

Yours very sincerely,
Adeline F.Pettie.

Metlakahtla, Alaska.
December 8, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

Your letter of 1st November ordering lumber for Kilisnoo Government School did not come to hand in due course; so that we are only able to ship lumber by Idaho which we expect today. Please find bill enclosed for the same.

Your letters dated November 5th 15th and 16th were to hand ten days ago. The carver is at work upon the spoons but they will not be finished to go by the Idaho. I note the action of the Board of Education of which you apprised me. I am very sorry you are detained from your leave of absence. I fear you will have to travel at a bad time for crossing the Continent. I will not fail to let you have the copies of the Affidavit we shall send to Mr.Strong. They are not yet finished. We have begun to use our little printing press and send you copies of 1st issue.

Pray excuse extreme haste.

Yours very sincerely,
W.Duncan.

PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SABBATH SCHOOL WORK
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
December 15, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Dear Sir:

Mr.Black, our business superintendent, has referred to me a part of your letter to him, in reference to Bibles for reciting catechisms. The offer is made by our Sunday School Missionary Department. We as a rule require the certificate of a recitation of a scholar, to be sent to us before we send the Bibles. But we will in your case make this a special one, and will send you the Bibles. Mr.Black will enclose the Blank Certificate to you and when that number of scholars have filled the conditions of the offer you can send us the Certificate properly filled and signed.

All correspondance relating to Missionary work of the Board should be addressed to myself.

Yours truly,
J.A.Worden.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
of the
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA.
53 Fifth Ave., New York.

In the matter of the overtures to the General Assembly from two of the Presbyteries in the Indian Territory (Cherokee and Muscogee) "asking the Assembly to take action defining the sphere and functions of a Synodical Missionary, and also his relations to the schools established by the Board and likewise the relations the relations of the Presbytery and its Ministers to their schools and their teachers," and which overtures were referred to the Board of Home Missions by the General Assembly, the following resolutions were adopted.

RESOLVED)That the sphere and functions of the Synodical Missionary was settled by action of the General Assembly (see Minutes 1883, page 544.)

RESOLVED - That the successful management of the school work of the Board of Home Missions requires its direct control by the Board, and that the relations of ministers is advisory; and that therefore, that whoever is appointed by the Board to superintend such school work shall have entire control subject to this Board.

The above minute was passed by the Board of.Home Missions at its meeting held December 18, 1888.

O.E.Boyd.

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71 Bible House, N.Y.,
December 19, 1888.

I hope you can accept the position to which you have been elected by the American Sabbath Union, as shown by Blue mark on enclosed proof which will also explain our purpose and plan. The officers in New York and vicinity whose names appear in this list, have all accepted. Please indicate by an early mail whether you can do so.

Truly yours,
J.H.Knowles,
General Secretary

Colonel Elliott F.Shepard,
President.

The Field Secretary, Reverend Wilbur F.Crafts, joins in urging your acceptance.Your duties will be light, but the help of your name will be real. We hopes to call on you for counsel, in some of his lecture tours.

Juneau, Alaska.
December 20, 1888.

Honorable Binger Hermann,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Friend:

This will introduce to you Doctor Sheldon Jackson, General Agent of Education for Alaska, who visits Washington in the interests of this Territory.

Any favors you may be pleased to extend will be greatly appreciated by

Yours very truly,
John C.Wood.

Williamsport, Pa., Dec.21,1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Carlisle, Pa.

I have a letter from Reverend W.Duncan of Alaska, saying he had placed in your hands to be forwarded to my wife, on your return home, silver spoons. In his letter he says he thinks you will reach home about December first and that we can address you there. As she has not heard anything of the spoons she thought perhaps there might be some misunderstanding about forwarding them; hence this letter. When you send them you can do so by express. She wishes to thank you for the trouble of taking care of them.

Yours etc.,
James V.Brown.

Metlakahtla, Alaska.
December 24, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

A canoe will leave here very soon for Tongass Narrows, with the mail. I am sending you 6 silver tea spoons to the care of Mr.Smith at Tongass Narrows and shall ask him to hand them to you if you are on board the Idaho or Ancon this week and if not I ask him to send them back to me and I will forward them to Sitka by next Idaho.

I am sorry they were not finished to go by last Idaho but your letter ordering them had been detained at Loring or elsewhere and therefore had not sufficient time allowed him.

Honorable W.Dawson has just sent the silver an order for three dozen spoons. So the man's trade is growing apace. I have been too busy to finish the affidavits to send to Mr.Strong and hence I cannot at present send you a copy.

I am anxious to see my way for taking a trip to San Francisco to look out for a teacher for our school. I want a married man, a good man and his wife would suit better than a single person of either sex. But really I do not see how I can get away as yet. I cannot afford to engage a person I have not seen.

Wishing you a safe journey and speedy return,
Yours sincerely,
W.Duncan.

Sitka, Alaska.
December 27, 1888.

Dear Doctor Jackson:

The Mission was in its glory Christmas night and the place was overflowing. The weddings went off smoothly the band adding greatly to the occasion. Governor Swineford was called upon and eulogized the Mission and its work and Mr.Austin in particular and unpecially. Before Swineford closed he tried to be pleasant by referring to his own determination to resign and to ask the prospective Governor and told the children that he hoped that they should hear from me when Captain Newell had addressed them. Captain Newell did talk to them in a sort of aimless way and then he got through Mr.Austin cut off further talk. Mrs.S.thinks it was an intentional snub taken in conjunction with other things that occurred during the evening. I have sometimes wondered why the Austins could choose such a man as Newell for an intimate friend and receive flattery from a man who has been more hostile than favorable to the cause to which he labors. When these families leave I am anxious to see how they act in future. I have known the Austins for years

and I think I have weighed them correctly and therefore snubs do not annoy me but they do my wife though I have tried to prepare her for just such place.

Newell would not let me have a man to help caulk the lighters. His relief has arrived and I hope he will mend and patch up the Pinta so that she can move. The management of this vessel for the past two years is a disgrace. My wife suspects that Mrs.Hayden is writing to Mrs.Shepard and will try to get her influence to retain her husband. Hayden is going to stick till kicked. Mrs. H.says he did talk of resigning but he did not mean it. I should like to see them all go except Mr.Grant who is a fair minded man. Personally I like Mr.Delaney. He has a tough set of deputies and

If I am appointed governor I hope that the President will send Mr.O'Malley here in my place.

We shall try and have our new lighter and everything ready to go to the wreck of the Bee by the time that the lighter arrives. I hope that the Bureau will not forget to send it. Kelly needs good helpers. They should have good stomachs, or as Doctor Willard Parker used to tell a lot of theological students. They should fear God and keep their powder dry. You certainly know that the selection of a helper to work with Mr.Kelly is a matter of no little consequence with him. I wish that he could go East and get a helper for himself.

Yours sincerely,

J.T.Healy.

Steamship "Idaho"
December 8th, 1900.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
U.S.Educational Agent,
District of Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your request for same, I cheerfully hand you herewith a catalogue of suggestions for the improvement of the Customs service in the District of Alaska and beg leave to ask for them the careful consideration of yourself and others interested. They are of unconservative character as it is possible to make them, and, in my judgment are all an absolute necessity. So far as I have been able to discover there has been an absence of system in the Inspection service, that should be remedied at once. And until the service is reduced to a system, such as I suggest, it will never be efficient. The fact that the District is apparently an isolated one is no reason for neglecting it.

Although all are important, I would respectfully ask your especial attention to suggestion No.5 relating to the personal accommodation of Inspectors afloat.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company are very careful to ask each trip of the Inspector a receipt for his transportation and subsistance, which is to be used by them in collecting from the Government full first class fare for the Inspector's passage. He is viewed by them as a passenger on their ships. Yet in the face of these facts he has always been treated unfairly and discriminated against in assigning him his quarters. Although entitled to as good accommodation as other passengers he is invariably assigned below, sometimes to localities where rest cannot be obtained, and again when sleep is uncertain and disturbed. Passengers, when necessary bear with such lack of rest, because with them it is only temporary - but the Inspector is on the ship three months out of every four. It is his home and place of business. He is obliged to be up at all hours and for varying periods day and night. Sometimes twenty-four hours at a stretch. Surely under such circumstances he deserves to be as well and as quietly housed as anyone else on the ship. In summer the Inspector has said every berth on the ship, leaving the Inspector to take care of himself. Last July the writer alternated between an uninhabitable room and the storage, in both of which it was impossible to obtain any sleep whatever. And his present room opens into the dining room, where before his door lunch and conversation occur any hour of the night. And where conversation and work commences every morning about four o'clock.

Under such disadvantages for sleep an Inspector can be expected to be always attentive to his duty. It is both humiliating and discouraging for an officer who deserves to be better protected by the Government and I sincerely hope it may be corrected.

I am satisfied that on each regular ship there is a gang of operators who deal in contraband whiskey and opium, in quantities comparatively small it is true, but large enough to be mischievous and numerous everywhere. There is no principle involved in the traffic: it is simply and solely a method of making money, and whiskey is bottled upon every opportunity in sold to all comers: Negro[illegible] white men, white scoundrels who in turn sell to Indians, and direct to Indians themselves.

There is an immediate educational work yet to be done among the natives of Alaska (and you will pardon the statement as a matter of fact) and there is no more deadly enemy to all missionary and educational work, no more certain way of undoing moral work, and intellectual good and improvement among these people than this cursed sale of liquor. And the Government should vacate the Customs and Judicial Department in every possible way.

I thank you for the opportunity of placing my humble views before you, and in conclusion beg leave to say that you are at liberty to use my statements for what they are

worth, in any manner you deem best.

Respectfully yours,
L.M.Kelchum.
Inspector,
Steamship "Idaho."

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE PRESENT SYSTEM IN THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA.

1. A steam launch should be supplied at Port Townsend for patrol purposes. It should be manned by at least three men, properly named, and authorized to act as Inspectors.

2. A similar launch should be stationed at Juneau.

3. The Collector at Sitka and Deputy Collector at Juneau should be authorized to employ a sufficient number of men to search vessels whenever in their judgment it is necessary to do so. For ships of 500 tons and upward not less than four fifteen men are necessary for that purpose.

4. Unless forbidden by law, the United States Marshal in Sitka harbor most of the time, should be instructed to co-operate with the Collector in that vicinity with both launch and men.

5. A comfortable stateroom in a quiet portion of each ship should be reserved for the exclusive use of the Inspector afloat, where he may be any time day or night for sleep as it may be necessary.

6. No freight, baggage or packages should be discharged in Alaska waters except in the presence of the Inspector.

7. As at present drawn, the manifest will not permit the checking off of the cargo. It should be understood that the Freight clerk's list in detail of freight, before reaching each landing place in Alaska.

No liquors to be furnished on board the ship to any person using ashore, either resident or passenger without the permission of the Inspector in each instance.

No Indian [illegible], to be allowed to leave the ship in Alaska except in the presence of the Inspector.

10. No Indian or Indians to be allowed to board the ship on any pretext, except as [illegible] with the proper officers of the ship or to become a passenger and then only in the presence of the Inspector.

11. All foreign baggage and other packages not actually in use in a passengers stateroom and at in the manifest, should be placed in an apartment by themselves or in a separate heap.

12. In addition to the Manifests he now receives, the Inspector should be furnished a manifest of the foreign passengers cabin and steerage, stating the number of pieces of each kind of baggage possessed by each.

13. An Inspector of Customs, between the months of April and October both inclusive whould reside at Fort Tongas or some point near there, whose duty it should be to take each regular ship and make the round trip in Alaska waters, cooperating with the regular Inspector afloat.

Should this suggestion be adopted, and I urge its importance, the watchmen now employed at Sitka Juneau and Wrangel so far as the ships of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company are concerned, may be relieved from service during the time mentioned.

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL AND TRAINING SCHOOL
Sitka, Alaska.
December 28, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Sir:

Mr.Brady read me a letter from Mr.Meyer of Juneau written before you arrived there. In it he says that he understood that you are a candidate for Commissioner Dawson's place and he hoped you would get it. That he (Meyers) is a candidate for the collector of Customs for Alaska and that he would pledge himself to total abstinence and an enforcement of the laws etc.

His letter to Brady is lengthy, giving him the gossip political and otherwise from his standpoint. I will post you in these matters each steamer.

Respectfully,
W.A.Kelly.

Juneau, Alaska.
December 25, 1888.

Doctor Jackson:
Dear Brother:

You met Mr.Ward on the steamer he is looking for a position under the Government. I think Clerk of the Court He is not classed among moral men - too well acquainted with French women and dance houses. Gets drunk sometimes. I need say nothing further in this line.

A guest house will cost about $300.00. If we can get the ground for nothing. I am going to examine into that part today.

The town held a large meeting last night and compelled the parties applying for a patent to give up their papers to a committee. I may therefore be able to put the Guest

Never had a wish for the Commissionership of Education.
Would have refused the position if it had been tendered.

Sheldon Jackson.

house near the lighthouse. As I helped to survey the property I can easily find the corners and see what ground there is. If we could put it there will have to go further off.

I wish the Government would establish a Meteorological Sub-station here and put me in charge of it with instruments for observations.

Fraternally,
Burton L.Willard.

January 11, 1911.

To the Honorable
The Secretary of the Interior.
Washington, D.C.

Sir-

Last spring we received a request from your office through Mr. A.T.Swineford, Governor of Alaska, requesting us to destroy a portion of the equipment of Eagle Telegraph Office, ... Signal Service of Observations in Alaska.

In accordance with your request, our Mr. [illegible] Superintendent, Mr. [illegible] to us to operate the Eagle office until the winter months, but we would respectfully request you to extend his leave until the last of June.

[illegible]

Respectfully,
[illegible]

The United States Department of Agriculture has invited me to visit the Experiment Farm at Sitka, Alaska, to [illegible] of the Presbyterian Church who at the request of your predecessor are paying half my salary and [illegible] regularly out for part of my time.

With regard to the request for an allowance of [illegible], allow me to say

1st. That it is without pay and therefore no expense to the government.

2nd. That Prof. [illegible], Principal of the Industrial Training School at Sitka, Alaska, will attend to the routine duties of my office during my absence without ex-

sation. Consequently, granting such leave will not be prejudicial to the public service.

2nd. That the leave occurs at a season of the year in that climate in which an officer is apt to be ill as likely as at any impossible to get around to other sections of the Territory.

For these reasons I trust you will [illegible] to remain for the present with my wife there.

Very truly yours.

Sheldon Jackson.

U.S.General Agent of Education in Alaska.

Carlisle, Pa., January 4, 1886.

Mrs.Fyton Harrison, Baltimore, Md.

My dear friend -

I greatly appreciate your kindness in writing me and [illegible] to be [illegible] but [illegible] to be present. You have a large heart in active and sympathetic [illegible] it Baltimore that [illegible] without you. I presume some of the friends who were present have told you how earnestly I plead for a steam laundry in connection with the Presbyterian Industrial Training school at Sitka. Already the ladies of the church have given the school two good buildings (one for the boys' and the other for the girls' dormitory) and industrial hall for the carpenter shop, the boot and shoe shop, the printing office and the wood-carving department and a small hospital building for the sick children; but no suitable provision has yet been made for a laundry.

Into this school are now gathered 115 boys and girls. Some of them were doomed to death as witches and would have been burned alive, or buried alive, if they had not been rescued by the Missionaries and brought into the school.

Others would have been smothered by their parents when infants to save the trouble of caring for them, if not the Missionaries took them under the Missionary care of the school. Other little girls of 9 to 14 years of age had been sold as old and [illegible] old men, who were [illegible] married and abused. When, their cases being found out, they have been taken from their cruel masters and placed in the school.

Others have been brought by their parents who now [illegible] their children might be educated as Americans [illegible] receive their children.

Now this school has grown until there are 115 children, boys and girls plucked from the cruelties of heathenism and being trained up in a Christian civilization to be useful men and women. Many of them have already given their hearts

to Jesus. If in the next 15 or 20 years we are to have any native missionaries or teachers to work among the rising generation of their own people those missionaries and teachers are today in this school, so that it becomes very important that they should be trained in the right way. And seeing as they do from cases of dirt and filth the most important lesson we can give them next to godliness is cleanliness. But right here we are met with the difficulty that the school has no proper appliances for enforcing cleanliness. The school has every week a thousand pieces of clothing to be washed. These have to be washed by the girls of the school, whose average age is not over 12 or 13 years and washed with no machinery but the old-fashioned wash board and wash tub. Then in that country it rains so continually that it is sometimes two weeks before a washing can be dried. The result is the teachers have never been able to keep the school as clean as they would like or as is necessary to health. It has greatly wished on their minds and of late they have been very anxious to have steam-washing machinery such as other boarding schools have. Such machinery will cost $1[illegible]. and the freight $200. or $400 more. so that the machinery at Point will cost about $1500. or $1600. I have been praying over the matter some time and anxiously looking around to see where next God will touch to do this thing for us and for Jesus. And I have been led to write to you, knowing that you not only have the means, but what is much more unusual, have a large heart to use the means, that God has intrusted to you. Perhaps you would like to have it after your late husband - Harrison Hall. If so, I will see that the name is given the laundry; or if you prefer some other name will see that it is given to it. You can send a check payable to my order and I will see that it is credited at the Mission rooms, New York, either to you personally or to your society or to Brown Memorial church as you may elect. The Lord restore you to health and strength and give you many years yet to work for Him.

My address until March will be at 126 S. Hanover st., Carlisle, Pa.

Respectfully yours.
Sheldon Jackson.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
23 Fifth Ave., New York. [illegible]

[illegible] Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

Since you left Troy we have been considering the matter of surveys of our Mission property in Alaska and we have come to the conclusion that just now it would not be wise to send anybody to Sitka to survey our lot there. We are

afraid that would make trouble.

Now, if we purchased instruments at a cost of $15.00 or $20. could not you or Mr.Kelly some morning when the sun is on and before the people are astir, run the necessary lines from the main buildings out towards the mountains? I think it could be done quickly and without attracting attention. If you put a stone or a post well driven into the ground, leaving it but a few inches above the ground at about every 40 or 80 rods I say, we think, will be sufficient to mark our claim.

We are a little afraid about having a surveyor on the At other places any trouble from the natives is not to be feared. If you approve of this telegraph me and we will take the steps necessary to purchase the instruments at once. We feel that it is very important to keep everything quiet at Sitka; hence the extra caution in this case. Do you not think you and Mr.Kelly could run the necessary lines today a little ways to make a very useful start before a body is aware what you are about?

With best wishes, I remain,
Very truly yours,
[illegible]

Fort Wrangel, Alaska, May 27, 1884.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir:-

Being well acquainted with the management of the Training School in this place in all its details, I am sorry to say that it is a disgraceful failure and should be discontinued at once.

In September last this school was brought originally to my notice when I was under the disagreeable necessity of reminding Mrs.Young of the deplorable condition of affairs existing and also of calling her attention to the obligations she had assumed and failed to comply with toward the Government and the Indians. And I advised her at that time to abandon the effort to establish a training school. This she consented to do at the end of this fiscal year, June 30. 1884.

I was very much surprised that Miss Robinson, Mr.Lake and his wife arrived here in the employ of Mrs.Young and I learned that she was making a determined effort to continue the so-called training school. Training schools, like colleges are not made, but grow. To establish a training school here would require a large outlay of capital as nothing of the previous school could be used; and the term belonging to the so-called training school is of no value. It has never produced anything but debts and an annual loss of about a thousand dollars. There is nothing in the sur-

roundings or circumstances to justify the founding of a training school in this place.

One good training school in this territory is all that is required and the one at Sitka now in successful operation is sufficient to accomodate all who need such educational advantages.

A Home for the protection and instruction of young girls, if properly managed would be of great utility and an important aid to the mission work of this place. A home could be conducted very cheaply. The government buildings with some repairs are ample to accomodate twenty five or thirty girls, and the buildings can be occupied free of rent and for any length of time.

There is also the best Government school in the Territory, which the inmates of the Home can attend without cost, as the Government pays all the expenses.

The Church building here is a good one, and the Church and Sabbath School are well organised and in good condition

Very respectfully yours.

James Brankley,

U.S.Commissioner.

Sitka, July 14, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson:

Sir:

I take the liberty to address myself to you in regard to the offensive letter I have written about your institution.

I feel more keenly than I can express the great wrong I have committed and the pain I must have caused both you and the ladies, but I beg to assure you that when I wrote the letter I was convinced that I was writing the truth, because I was under the firm impression and belief that ill-treatment was the rule; on that fact my whole letter was based; when later I found that this was an exaggeration, I saw at once that I had committed a grievous mistake and that in consequence my letter contained slander and that I had greatly offended the ladies.

I had written under an assumed name; but as I did not wish to leave the impression as though I had wilfully and deliberately slandered your institution, I sent at once the letter to Mr.Kelly and told him I was the author; I would not have done so if I had slandered wilfully, for in this case I would have kept the letter to myself and would have left by last boat. Besides, I know full well that slander is a great sin and I could not find it in my heart to commit that sin wilfully. I was in good faith when writing the letter and therefore as soon as it arrived I acknowledged my mistake and apologized for the offense given to the parties concerned.

I cannot adequately express how much I grieve over that unfortunate and offensive letter; ever since I discovered my mistake it has been to me a constant source of grief and sorrow. The thought that I, a Catholic priest, should have written the slander and offended ladies who have never done me any harm, is haunting my mind by day and night; that thought leaves me no rest or peace; though weary, I cannot sleep. My appetite is gone and my mind is completely distracted. I feel unhappy, wretched, miserable and I fear that something worse may happen to me. I would have given anything in my power to be able to revoke the letter, but it was too late.

I confess that I have offended greatly, but I hope and trust that you will be kind enough to forgive me; I cannot well go to the altar tomorrow without asking and obtaining forgiveness from those whom I have offended and if necessary I shall come and ask forgiveness personally of each and every one one whom I have offended; this unfortunate affair lies like a heavy burden on my head and I wish to remove it as soon as possible. I shall be only too glad to write or sign a full apology, such as will rectify my mistake and repair the injury and offense caused by my letter, and to send it down by next boat.

I beg of you in the name and for the love of God to forgive me; I can assure you that I am already sorely punished in mind and body for the offense I have given and for which I apologize in all the bitterness of my sorrow.

And you may rest assured that I shall ever be grateful to you and that, as I never did before, so I shall never write again another word against your institute.

Yours truly,

W.H.Heyman Jr.

Presbyterian Mission Home
Sitka, Alaska.

Apology

Editor Sentinel:

In my letter of June 13, anent the ill-treatment of children in the above institution, I stated on what I considered reliable authority that ill-treatment is not the exception but the general rule; I have now to state that this view is exaggerated; hence my criticisms on the institution were much too severe and I hereby retract them.

Speaking of the Ladies of the Home I said that they approved of the ill-treatment and that their statements in court evinced a lamentable lack of the refined feelings of the fair sex; I look upon them now as erroneous and slanderous and therefore hasten to retract them.

I greatly regret and apologize for the mistake I made

ent for the offense thus given to the parties concerned.

D. C. Ermond.

Sitka, Alaska, July 16, 1888.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,

Sir:-

I think the apology on the other side covers the whole letter; I did not think it necessary to refer to myself, because the admission that the criticisms on the institution were much too severe takes the sting out of the whole article.

Yours truly,

[illegible] Jr.

District of Alaska
Executive office.
Sitka, Alaska, July 16, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka.

Dear Sir:-

I shall apply to the Court tomorrow morning for the release from jail of Lee, an Indian girl, a minor, 13 years old, committed from Juneau for petty larceny. My understanding of this case has excited my sympathy and also aroused my indignation. You will readily appreciate that the jail is not the proper place for a child of tender years and as she was without kindred, who care for her welfare, I am very desirous that either Mr.Kelly or yourself accept the position of guardian for her, thereby enabling you to put her in the Mission Home and retain her there, as long as possible.

On account of Mr.Kelly's illness, I address this note to you hoping that you will give the matter immediate attention.

Yours very truly,
[illegible]

Bryn Mawr,
July 27, 1888.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,

My dear Doctor:-

We have been disappointed in not hearing directly from you in regard to Rudolph's cottage since its completion. It has been a good while since Rudolph first wrote to us that he was occupying it, and he seemed greatly pleased to have a house of his own. I asked him to give me a full description of the cottage for the benefit of the school, and in replying he sent a hand-made sketch of the house with measurements which show a very considerable divergence from the plan you submitted to us when you were here. I sent the two plans at once to Mr.Converse for he had contributed about one half of the entire amount sent by our school. You said that five hundred dollars would be required to build the cottage, and as we could not make up the sum otherwise, Mr.Converse, very generously gave the balance, so that the enterprise might not fail for lack of funds. I felt therefore that it was owing to him that the discrepancy revealed should be submitted to his consideration. The note he wrote me, I herewith enclose to you.

The matter has caused us considerable surprise, especially since, when Mrs.Austin was here with us, she told us that the cottage, according to the estimates made by their carpenter, would not cost as much to build as you had thought at the first; but could be finished according to the original plan for less than $400. We cannot understand therefore why a cottage so much smaller should have been erected, when you really had a surplus of funds for the purpose. And I am free to say, that our disappointment is very keen inasmuch as so much effort was expended in order to secure the whole amount which you asked for. Still, Mr.Converse and I feel unwilling to judge the case, until we have heard from you. I had hoped to get to Alaska myself before now, but have not yet been able to carry out my desires. I trust however, that the trip is only postponed.

Please write at your convenience, and explain what has been done with our funds, and oblige,

Yours very truly,
William H. Miller.

Chetwynd,
Rosemount, Pa.
July 25, 1888.

My dear Mr.Miller:

I have examined with interest the drawing which Ru-

dolph has sent of the house built for him and which he has occupied. While I am glad he has a house of his own, I am surprised and disappointed at its character. It does not appear to be at all such a house in size and character as to use the plans of when we raised $500. for the purpose. It was clearly our expectation that a house costing $500. and worth that amount should be built for Rudolph with the money which we raised.

I think it would be well to ask Dr.Jackson for an explanation.

Very sincerely yours,
John H. Converse.

Bureau of Education
Territorial Board of Education
Sitka, Alaska, August 30, 1888.

Reverend W.H.Miller:

My dear Brother:

Yours of July 27th came by last steamer. I should have written you last winter concerning the cottage which your fantath School and Mr.Converse enabled us to erect for Rudolph. When I left Sitka for the East the house was not yet fully completed. After I reached the east I was so pressed with other matters that it entirely passed out of mind. I am very sorry for the seeming neglect. For I assure you that the Missionaries here greatly appreciate the kindness of yourself and people in the interest you have all taken in Rudolph. Now as to the cottage. When I returned to Sitka last season, it was concluded that a living room 12 by 14 feet in size was larger than was necessary under the circumstances. And as the plan exhibited to you made no provision for a work shop by which Rudolph could carry on his trade of carpenter and no woodhouse, so necessary in this rainy country. It was thought wiser to curtail the living room and secure a shop and wood house. Consequently a slight change was made.

The plan showed you was a building 30 by 20 making 600 square feet. The plan built upon is 24 ft square with a projection 4 by 8 feet, making 608 ft.

As to outside appearance, there would have been no difference only Rudolph did not want the hanging or projecting roofs over the windows but elected to finish up his window tops with a square cornice or molding.

Donald, who has the cottage adjoining Rudolph, finished his windows according to the plan which you have; so that the outside appearance is practically the same.

Now as to the inside arrangement, it is found that the kitchen is too small and I have recommended that he remove

the partition back to the stairs, which will make the room about 12 by 9' 6'' and then make a pantry in the end of the carpenter shop. (This is the arrangement in the three cottages which we are building this season and it greatly increases the comfort and convenience of the cottage.)

Enclosed I send you an abstract of the expense by which you see I paid out $523.33. In addition to that I gave personally one months' time: also at different times had the school boys carry lumber and do other things without any cost to the building. If I had charged for the labor of the boys, it would have added at least $50. to the expense. Then there were various things that were supplied from time to time from the mission of which no account was made. You will notice that I received $21.87 more than I expended. As Rudolph charged me $2. per day for his work on the other cottages I felt justified in turning over that amount on the two cottages (For Donald and Willie Wells) which I erected last year mainly at my own expense. However, if this is not satisfactory I will return it to you or hold it subject to your disposal.

You will remember that in order to create self reliance and not pauperize it was thought best to place the help in the form of a loan to be repaid in small installments. I greatly regret to say that I have been disappointed in this by the injudiciousness of some of the teachers who had led him to believe that your people would give him the cottage as a free gift. Consequently, although he said he intended paying for it I have only been able to get $50. from him. He receives good wages and is abundantly able to pay for it but is exceedingly penurious and saving and begrudges his family ordinary comforts.

I do not know what drawing he sent you, only I know this, that I have had two ladies sketch the houses in order to get a good picture to send you, but they failed to do the building justice and therefore I am waiting until a photographer comes along. From my experience with those who claim to be able to sketch, I do not think you have received a fair picture of the house. If you could see it with your own eyes I know you would be pleased with it. It is a better and more comfortable house than is possessed by any native or Russian and by 9/10th of the Americans in Sitka.

Being one of the best dwellings in the place he ought to be satisfied. I judge by the tone of his letter, however, that he is not.

Three cottages were erected last fall, one by your people and two by myself. This season we are building three more, largely at the expense of the Women's National Indian Association. The boys are writing to get married as soon as the cottages are ready for their occupancy.

I trust I have made the matter satisfactory. If I have not, let me know.

Hoping that you may be able to visit us at an early date, I remain.

Yours truly.
Sheldon Jackson.

Expense account for erection of cottage for Rudolph Walton. September and October 1887. Sitka, Alaska.

Removing stumps and grading ground native labor a $1.25	$59.90
Carpenter work a $1.25	71.50
384 ft.joists, 700 ft. roof boards.800 ft.rough lds.	20.72
324 ft. studding, 500 ft.rafters	12.80
500 ft.flooring; 2500 ceiling. 1500 ft.rustic	67.20
1000 ft.casing. 150 ft. base boards 50 ft.window stors. porch posts	23.82
7000 shingles at $2. 600 ft dressed lumber door window frames stairs etc	12.00
6 doors	13.42
7 windows $1.71 6 scroll brackets at 40 cts	14.37
Terra-Cotta pipe for chimneys	13.87
200 lbs white lead 3 cans boiled paint oil	26.00
3 rolls tarred paper; 4 kegs of nails	27.50
Locks trimmings hinges...	8.00
Replacing broken glass	2.40
Freight on above from Puget Sound	115.92
Taking lumber out of water and piling it up	20.00
Lumber was rafted from ship through surf to beach	
	521.19

Received from Bryn Mawr	$495
" " Rudolph	50.00
	545.00
	523.13
	$ 21.87

District of Alaska
Clerk's Office
Sitka,

My dear Doctor Jackson:

In my talk last spring with you I did not say in so many words that I thought Mr.Swineford really meant to carry out his threats but I think he did. I do not wish to drew you into any matter of this kind but you will know as soon as anyone else I want you to write me the state of affairs. Your letter will be held as strictly confidential.

And whatever you may the opportunity to say in behalf of my husband you cannot say too much. There never lived a man who loved his family was more indulgent and carefful for them. There never was a man who cared more for his own reputation and for all the treats that go to form a manly character. You must have seen this of him and if any word his wife can add can impress you, you will know you cannot do too much for him.

I hope we shall hear from you that all is quiet on the Potomac.' And remember all our heart and energy and influence will go toward helping the Mission.

Very sincerely.
Mary F. Heydon.

District of Alaska
Sitka, September 18, 1885.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:-

Pardon me for not answering your kind favor at once accompanying the books. I did not discover the note until the messenger was gone. Accept our sincere thanks for the favor, which I certainly appreciate. I fully appreciate from my present observation the difficulties under which all of you labor in your noble work and I assure you that I shall not throw any obstacles in your way to lessen your influence among the people whom you are attempting to improve in condition and morals.

When you feel well enough I would be glad to see you about some matters. I can always be found at my chambers. We have had a terrible time getting properly located: but are now reasonably comfortable. At any rate I shall not complain.

Yours respectfully and sincerely.
John H. Kealley.

History of the Presbytery of Winona.
by
Rev. R. B. Abbott, D. D. (A. D. 1885).

La Crosse, La Crescent -- the Cross first, the Crescent later -- opposite to each other -- opposed to each other. Early in its history, the Crescent hoped to rival or perhaps supplant the Cross, and keep the mighty stream along its own banks and wharves and busy life; not having read the book of Foreordination. It was during that era of hope, though hope deferred, that Divine Providence used Malarial Fever, at Spencer Academy, to drive to Minnesota -- far famed, healthful Minnesota,--- one of the chief actors in the early building

up of his kingdom hereaway. Landing at Winona, pursuaded by Mr. Lyon to settle permanently for six months in the booming and prospective city of La Crescent -- the symbol of Islam--- Sheldon Jackson began. He kept on beginning. That has been his life work. Some years later we see him beginning further west. Next he is beginning among the Rocky Mountains. Then he goes to Alaskm and keeps on beginning. He will continue beginning to the end of the chapter. And when the earth shall cover his clay with other clay, let his epitaph be, -- "Here at last rests the Beginner." -- Little of stature but earnest in spirit, like another Zacchaeus, he was ever running ahead of the crowd, climbing a hill, scaling a mountain, following a valley, opening a school house, to see Jesus-- who he was, and what he would do for these faraway western people.

He was continually searching out the land, sowing beside all waters, organizing beside all railroads.--- Too much of it do you say?--- Organized too much? The hunter does not grudge a lost shot now and then, if he yet bags abundance of game. O, for more Jacksons to follow up Jackson, to build up what he began! If subsequent ministers had had more of his faith and zeal and toil, may be Brownsville, and Minnerva, and Rushford, and Richland, and Austin, and Sheldon, and Plainview, and Utica, and Taopi, and Dresser Valley, and Rollingstone would never have been dropped from our Roll; and Eyota, and St. Charles, and Wasoca, and Jamesville, and Fillmore, and Stewartville, would never have been given over to other denominations. May be!

Mr. Jackson found one scattered Presbyterian at La Crescent. It was not long till he organized him and some others. The church was formed December 23, with six members, the election of officers being held at a later day. Mr. Jackson's salary the first year was three hundred dollars, paid by the Board of Domestic Missions, O. S. His six month's settlement multiplied into sixty months, resulted in a comfortable church building, and a membership of forty-seven souls,--and the whole region for twenty, thirty, forty miles or more, repeatedly traversed, usually on foot, our little circuit walker often taking no horse -- and I wonder it took more than mille pass of Sheldon Jackson's to make a mile -- every neighborhood sought out, the gospel of Salvation preached with burning fervor in every town and hamlet, every Presbyterian discovered, and a church organized wherever two or three of the faith could be got together in the name of the Lord. Take a specimen brick from the house of his labors: On Sabbath morning he preached in the home church in La Crescent, in the evening at Hokah or Brownsville, Monday he travelled to Houston and preached in the evening, Tuesday evening at Sheldon, Wednesday evening at Rushford, Thursday evening at Caledonia, Friday he returned home, and on that day and Saturday chopped wood to last his wife another week. Then on Sabbath he began to circuit again, varying it from time to time, to carry the word of life to

every dark corner.

The recital of such a history recalls the marvels of the heroic age, when men for the love of Christ would undergo any labor or suffer any persecution, "so they might finish their course with joy, and the ministry which they had received of the Lord Jesus to testify the gospel of the grace of God." What a new and living commentary it gives to the marching orders of the Christian ministry, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every living creature." Mr. Jackson seemed to think it meant just that. But what time could he have for the preparation of sermons? Go and try it once, my young brother; and you will see! He never read that last command in the light of modern revision, "Go into the largest congregations, and preach the greatest sermons you can write!" His head and his heart were full of the gospel, and its glowing truths were cast into orderly form for sermons while on his solitary journeys. His saddle was his study, or rather his boots! Some of these preaching tours extended as far west as Jackson, and some as far east as Galesburg, Hixton, North Bend, and Black River Falls. At that time, he and the churches he organized were in connection with the Presbytery of Chippewa, which extended a little west of the Mississippi. During those years, and subsequently while at Rochester, he organized or assisted in organizing twenty-two churches; of which the greater part remain to this present, but some are fallen asleep.

Page 17-1864. "The house of worship of the Rochester church and the Manse were begun during this year, completed the following year, and dedicated the first Sabbath of January, 1866. The means to build were secured, in a large part, in the east, by Dr. Jackson, who as beggar was almost equal to Jackson as organizer."

Page 18-1866. "The church of Kasson takes its beginning, formed by Jackson, the irrepressible, assisted by Elder Newhall, of Ashland. The organization consisted of three members ---all women-- two elder and one younger. The two elders formed a quorum. This was in May. A month later two others were added to their number, whether men or women, is not recorded. What matters it? In heaven they are equal to the angels."

Page 21-1868. "-----Jackson the unquenchable, now at Rochester, having figured that Rushford was territorially on the bounds of Southern Minnesota, came down like another shepherd on the fold -- for how should a church be organized hereaway without Jackson? The church was born in that upper room, and pronounced an infant of Southern Minnesota Presbytery."

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1869.

Sitka Alaska,
Jan. 1869.

Dr. Jackson:

Miss Desha came in last night to tell me that she had decided to accept a position offered her in Washington in The Pension Office and would leave on the next steamer in two weeks. My cherished plan at once came to mind so this morning I went to Gov. Swineford and to Judge Keatley and they have worded a telegram to Commissioner Dawson setting forth the facts and urging Cassia Pattou's appointment. You will be on the ground and able to act. I have written a telegram to her.

Captain Newell will take the Gov. and Judge's telegram and show it to Judge Sheakley and if he approves it, will probably sign it. I feel confident that as Miss Desha is determined to go you will approve of my course of action. Perhaps you will write my sister. I have offered my services until she arrives if the Board wishes it.

I am,
Yours respectfully,
Mrs. J. C. Brady.

Carlisle, Pa.

Gen. James A. Beaver,
Gov. of Pennsylvania,
Harrisburg, Pa.

Dear Brother:

You know my record the past 30 years and the difficulties I have had to contend with during these later years in trying to civilize the natives of Alaska. These difficulties have been increased by the drinking, gambling and irreligious officials appointed by Mr. Cleveland. Now that there is to be a new deal, Sec. of Interior, John W. Noble, will naturally look around for some one on whom he can rely for correct information from that section. If it meets with your approval, please write him an earnest, warm hearted letter, commending me to his confidence in Alaska matters. On the envelope please mark personal so that he will be sure to see it, otherwise some clerk may stick it into a pigeon hole and he never see it. As you know such a letter of endorsement from yourself, who stands so high in the republican ranks, will greatly help me in my work for Alaska. If you would like to talk with me more fully about it, please act the day that you

will be home next week and I will come over to Harrisburg to see you. On Thursday of next week I go to Boston to give an address.

Kind regards to Mrs. Beaver.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson.

Sitka, Alaska. Jan. 1st, 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Carlisle, Penn.

My dear Sir:

As a preliminary to what follows I beg to wish for you and yours a very happy New Years.

I did not know until after you had gone that Vanderbilt was one applicant for my position, and coupled with that is the statement that if my head drops you have promised him your influence with the President elect.

This may possibly be one of Sitka's exaggerations, and it may possibly be true. If the latter, then I do not believe that you understand the position of affairs here as developed, thus early since your departure. Vanderbilt goes East I believe on this Steamer, accompanied by Swineford whom I am told has promised to aid him to the extent of his influence (whatever that may be). Whether that be true or not, I do know that Swineford and Vanderbilt have become quite confidential since you left. Now it is an open secret that Swineford intends to remain in the territory if he can make any busines aggreement so to do; with the idea doubtless of munipulating its politics, if under any future legislations our people should have an opportunity to vote for a delegate to Congress. Toward that end he has clung to Mr. L. L. Williams at Juneau , and every body else whom he thought would be of assistance to him in the future. He would doubtles be very glad to get me out of the District, as he knows that I do not have any sympathy with his political methods or aspirations.

Of course you understand and appreciate just how much friendship generally Mr. Vanderbilt has for the Mission, and personally for yourself. I believe that he has not indicated any until he became a Candidate for Office. If ther is to be a change in my office or any other of the offices connected with the administration of affairs here, I am as anxious as you can possibly be that men shall be selected who will be a source of satisfaction to all of us who anticipate remaining in the Territory. In connection therewith I beg to urge upon you the desirability for all hands of your being a candidate for the Governorship. I do this not because I think les of Brady but because I am perfectly sure, with many others, that the best interests of the Territory would be conserved

your so doing. Your familiarity with the details of Washington affairs; your personal acquaintance with the leaders of both political parties: your ability as an executive officer: all are evidences of your fitness for the place, and more than all your intimate acquaintance with the best needs of our people. We want a Governor who will be a <u>power</u> not only here but at Washington. When we ask for anything from that end of the line we wish to have some kind of response.

I suggest this without any regard as to my own detention in my present place. I intend to remain in the Territory connected with certain business enterprises now in embryo. I shall do this in any event, but I should be pleased to serve until the end of my present term. I am aware that Mr.Harrison will be guided very much by the fitness of any present incumbent who deserves to remain and the satisfaction he has given to the people whom he serves. In connection with that would respectfully refer you tothe report of the condition and management of this office, made by Examiner J. W. Nightingale of the Department of Justice, now on file there.

With the disturbing elements gone from our Civil administration we can get on very smoothly. None of these appointments are political ones because we are all virtually disfranchised.

My own place was obtained entirely by Republican Senators, whose favor I still retain.

Anything you can do to forward my purpose will be appreciated and I feel confident you can do much.

Very respectfully yours,
H. E. Hayden.

Ans. Jan.8,'89.

23 Park Row,
New York, 1/5/89.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

You have been elected Alaska Vice President, of the American Sabbath Union, whose Constitution is enclosed. The position is honorary, but the endorsement of our work which will be indicated by permission to use your name will be of real value. Please favor us with an early acceptance.

Yours for the Sabbath,
J. H. Knowles,
per S. Gen. Sec'y.

W. F. Crafts,
Field Sec'y.

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New York, Jan. 4, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

There are special reasons for seeing Rev. J. Lewis Gould. He has no faculty for making a written statement of his case or accounts, and we do not know how to settle them without having him here in person.

In conference with the Woman's Ex. Com., the officers decided to ask the Pres. of Alaska to send him as their Com. to the General Assembly and directed me to write to you to that effect, and to enquire of you if it can be brought about and if so will you attend to the doing of it?

We want to consult with him also about the buildings and the saw mill. We are always glad to see you in our quarters.

The Bureau of Education want to cut our Sitka contract down to $10,000, instead of putting it up as it should be. We have asked that it be not less than last year, viz $12,600. If you go to Washington before coming here I wish you might see our argument and say your say also. I want to be at the meeting of the Indian Commission on the 17th, but am not sure that I can find time. I trust that you are well.

Yours truly,
O. E. Boyd,
Rec. Secretary.

Ogdenburg, New York,
January 8, 1889.

Brother Jackson:

A lady in my congregation wishes to pay for a scholarship in the(training or) industrial School at Sitka and also another in the Girls department. Will you if you please let me know what is the price of a Scholarship, and also to what address a letter and the money should be sent? Please reply at once, and you will oblige us.

Yours sincerely,
L. Merrill Miller.

Sitka, Alaska,
January 9th, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Sir:

You will remember the conversation we had the day you went away. I am not writing to remind you for I know you dont forget or change, but just to ask you if you will let me know if you think there is any danger of our being disturbed.

Mr. Vanderbilt and the Governor are both going on this

steamer.

, I feel sure that if you say to the President that there need be no change that it will remain as it is. Of course I do not think Mr. Vanderbilt can do anything without you. Mr. Brady said publicly the other day that he should be very much in favor of Mr. F's remaining here: that the office had never been run as satisfactorily as now.

Mr. H will have been here two years about April 1st. We are both anxious to stay the four years. Can we Doctor?

Mr. Vanderbilt speaks very assuredly of his getting the place. I would laugh it all away if he had not appealed to you to help him.

We are fully assured of the strong and earnest friendship of our friends, Gen Sabin and Senator Spooner, but I feel that you will have more influence, from the fact of your Gospel Work in Alaska. Don't blame me for being importunate and do write me what I may hope. Who for Governor? Churchill is on the slate now--what has Churchill done for Alaska?

Sincerely,

Mary F. Haydon.

Sitka, Alaska,

January 9th, 1892.

Dear Dr. Jackson-
Carlisle, Pa.

Judge Keetley today rendered a decision which taken with other things means very much to me. It prevents the Commissioners from dealing summarily with those who give and sell liquor to Indians. When a person is accused of giving and selling liquor to Indians the Commissioner must sit as a committing magistrate. If the evidence is sufficient he must bind the prisoner to appear and answer at the next term of the District Court. He is then to be indicted and tried by a jury which will be more apt to acquit than to convict. When conviction occurs it can only be for a misdemeanor for the penalty is the jail not less than two months nor more than six months. Thus an enormous expense is entailed upon the Government when the whole business could be settled justly, speedily and with comparatively small expense by the Commissioner.

A marine was brought up before me for selling whiskey to an Indian woman in a dance house. Gustabe Marks by name, who was about one year ago accused by an Indian of the crime of adultery with his wife and who was defended by Lieutenant Mc. Cracken. The proof against him was clear and positive that he sold the liquor. Major Berry was his attorney. He appealed to the District Court. Otto Nelson and Jefferson J. Kuehn were bondsmen for Marks. Judge Keetley decided that the Commissioner had no jurisdiction and discharged Marks.

I had sentenced him to six months in jail, a punishment which he well deserved. Before you left I sentenced a Russian for the same offense for a like period. He admitted his guilt. I suppose he'll be discharged. Judge Keatley has not been here long enough to get his full measure but I am beginning to think that a man who has long since outgrown the Church and all ideas of religious obligations may not be the best sort of a person to sit as Judge of this poor District of Alaska. If you have opportunity please find his record in the Iowa Legislature. Find what his attitude was during the temperiance period of the session which he attended. He was Chairman of the Democratic Caucus of that session which he attended. I imagine his record will show that he would not be in sympathy with the law as it now stands for Alaska. He steers clear of saloons and is pleasant socially. I somehow feel that he could be easily swayed by the whiskey element, so if President Harrison should consult you about this important affair I would say advocate his removal if a man whose legal ability and Christian integrity you are sure of can be found be found to take the place.

Mr. Grant does not like his decision circumscribing the Commissioners to such narrow limits. I asked Mr. Grant plainly today if it was his wish to stay here. He replied that he considered rightly belonged to the Republicans and that he ready to turn over to his succes or that he would not resign on the 4th of March, but would like to remain in office until Fall for he now was some interests around Juneau and he would like to see how they were going to pan out. I took occasion to tell him that you and Mr. Kelly and all the Mission peoplefelt kind. I hear that a request has gone to place the house which Governor Swineford occupies at the service of the Commander of the Pinta or any other vessel that may be in these waters. The Pinta is at sea (oh what a mockery) or supposed to be. Her officers draw sea pay and what right have they to live ashore. I am satisfied that it spoils them. Secretary Chandler forbid Commanders and other officers to allow their wives to follow them. You remember that Captain Coghlan was not allowed to bring his wife here. The Pinta and her launches are in a disgraceful condition. I besought the Captain for aid with Leo but he will not let scow nor steam launch go. Not allowed to loan government property.

Miss Desha has been assured of another position in Washington, D. C. and will at the advice of Swineford and Keatley leave by the next steamer.

The Mission people have signed a petition to have Frank F. Myers appointed Collector. Mr. Vanderbilt talks of going East on the next steamer to try and secure his appointment. I hear that I have been removed on account of the illumination on account of Harrison's election. Leord Sackville and myself much besought of thorns in the flesh. It is to absurd. Frank Myers knows well the in's and out's of the

whiskey men and as he has pledged himself to face the question fairly and sternly and use the power of the office to keep out whiskey I hope that he may be fortunate enough to receive the appointment.

I enclose some letters which I should like you to see. They may be of use to me in your hands so I send them. Tagliabue from San Francisco sent me a petition for signers praying for his appointment as U. S. Marshal. He claims to be a pioneer. His petition goes back without a signature. Myers tells me that the Catholics and whiskey element are excited about my chances of becoming governor. They have no use for me in that place. Elizabeth has been working to get her sister to succeed Miss Deghe and has Stanford's and Keatley's approval to Commissioner Dawson. Elizabeth will send you a few lines about it.

I hope that the President Elect will consult you freely about Alaska affairs. I imagine that he will be pressed on all sides.

Yours sincerely,
John G. Brady.

Board of Indian Commissioners,
Washington, D. C. Jan. 9, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

The conference will be held on the 17th inst. at the Riggs House.

I am glad that you are in this region.

Yours truly,
E. Whittlesey.
Secretary.

Indian Industrial and Training School.
Sitka, Alaska, Jan. 10, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Carlisle, Penn.

Friend Doctor everything is running about the same at the home. Our Christmas tree went off in fine shape. The Band did me credit at that time. The Governor gave Captain Newel and wife a reception Last Thursday from 2P.M. till 5P.M. I paid my respects with the Minston Cornet fund. The band was invited in and partook of the refreshments of the occasion in style, our band numbers now 21 pieces 15[p] cornet and one pair of Cymbalis came last boat. Now we would like for you to bring 29 Gel. more band caps. When you come if you can raise the money if you cant raise the money. Bring them and by no means refuse any homs that is offered you of any kind, Oh by the way I organized a

choir of 30 members the Saturday after your departure. They are doing nicely.

Wishing you success in all your Undertakings, I am as ever.

Yours, H. F. Lake,
Sitka,
Alaska.

Indian Industrial and Training School,
Sitka, Alaska. January 11th, 1889.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I take this opportunity in writing you this short note. We are sorry to miss you in our holidays.

We send you by this mail some of our decorations hoping that the friends will enjoy them. We never thought of sending them to East so we did not paint nice as we can. We painted them in our short times beside our studying and work, so please dear Sir tell the friends that these are not the best painting we did. We built an arch by the big gate on which we used some of them, and we put lights in in the evening. I enclose you the plan.

I haven't recited my catechism to Mrs. Dodgers yet But I have said every word of it. Boys and girls still advancing to it.

Our Brass Band getting brighter and brighter, several beautiful pieces have learnt. I am practiceing three girls on the organ, but I havent any book of instructions which discouriges me a little. Every thing going on all right. Boys doing well in school.

Hoping that by Our Heavenly Father's care you will be with us again.

Your sincere friend,
Edward Marsden.

Indian Industrial and Training School,
Sitka, Alaska. January 11th, 1889.

Dr. Jackson.

Dear Sir:

I suppose Mrs. Delph will arrive next steamer. Her mail came this one.

I wrote to Drs. Kendall and Irvin last steamer for permission to engage a cooper, (who is to be man of all work) for the summer.

We are in need of a lady to take charge of the laundry work. We have tried to get along without but it does not work well. We have no native girl equal to filling this place. I have no word of any one for cook yet. I wrote again last steamer to Dr. Barrett, Cold Springs, Pa. to try to get a good

stout girl or two for us.

I have no carpenter in view either. If a boys' ward is to be built the coming summer we must have a carpenter first or permission to engage the man who built the Ranch school house. He is a master-workman, But we should if possible have a man of our own.

Mr. and Mrs. Lake will not probably stay more than a year. At least they are very luke warm in faith and work too. She will never develope into a good worker, yet she is pleasant and with shoemaking and band music he makes a fair helper, although he never stays in the shop more than two hours at a time. He assigns his boys work then must take a walk, or or call around to see Mrs. Lake once or twice every half day. You know how necessary it is for teachers to be in thei departments as long as the children are there. As well might expect a school to run itself without a teacher. Once or twice I have urged him and Mrs Lake too, in a kind way but they are lovers of ease and pleasure and although I would to keep him yet I doubt if they stay long, for I learn they never did stay long in one place.

Miss Kelsey, Miss Rodgers, Miss Rankin and Mrs. Overend are the workers. Mrs. Winans would do well if she had health. Miss Rankin's health is very poor too.

Long ago when I was waging the necessity of having an assistant for Mrs. Austin I wrote Mrs. Walker a long letter (I cant now recall the date) telling her plainly and fairly what Mrs. Austin did and what we could not expect her to do, that we must have some one to take charge of all the rough work, care of sick, care of little boys etc. With the assistance of Mrs. Lake there is still little improvement in the boy's house.

I have as Mrs. Walker knows always been pleased with the care the girls and their department receive.

I prefer writing to you about these things as I know you and you know the members of the Board and the Ladies, but I think we have talked over all these matters.

What I wish is for us to handle these perplexing things as wisely and judiciously as possible.

I want anxiously to hear from you relative to school affairs and official positions.

Very sincerely yours,
Wm. A. Kelly.

I forgot to say however that I think it best to have Mr. and Mrs. Lake commissioned for the year and show them that we are willing to keep them.

Indian Training School,
Sitka, Alaska.
January 14th, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.
My dear Sir:

Henry Harvey, St. Paul Ave. and 3d St. will only receive 6 copies of the January number of The North Star. We run short before I was aware that the club lists had not been mailed. All the others would receive their numbers.

I called at Judge Brady's last evening. He was just writing you a letter. He read me the part relating to the judge. I endorse it most heartily. To us and to all good, lawabiding citizens it is the most important office, and now essential that we should have a Christian man, well learned in the law, who will keep himself entirely above saloon and low political influences.

We need as good men here as they do in the States and is ther a State in the union when the public sentiment would not rise up in rightous indignation against such cival rule (uncivil) as we have had in Alaska during two administrations?

We are sanguine of a better state of affairs soon. We have abiding faith in General Harrison and the he will gather around him.

I gave Mr. Brady a brief notice in the North Star (February issue) but will not let any real control my judgment. I devote most of the coming to the Industrial School.

I send your letters. Mr. Kenealy says he sends your Alorkan to you direct.

Very sincerely yours,
Wm. A. Kelly.

If I get time I will write you again tonight, in regard to other matters.

Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions
of the Presbyterian Church.

53 Fifth Avenue, New York, January 16, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Sir:

I am instructed by the Woman's Executive Committee to express to you our pleasure at learning that you will soon visit New York. The next meeting of our Committee will be upon Tuesday, January 22d and we would be very glad to have you meet with us at that time, and tell us about the work in Alaska.

Please let me know if you can do this.

Yours truly,
Mrs. C. E. Walker, Sec. per E. B.

328 C St. N. W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have this question in the morning's mail from Mrs. Malone, President of the Woman's Newcastle Presbyterian Society for Home Missions, "Do you think there would be any possibility of our securing Dr. Sheldon Jackson for one Quarterly Meeting the second week in February at Dover, or do you think he would reply, whenasked, as did another prominent Missionary worker, when invited to come to Delaware. "I cannot waste my time on idle tracks"?

My friend adds. "It is on these very "idle tracks" that we need the stimulus ".

Evidently Mrs. Malone has not the pleasure of a personal acquantance with you, or the question would not have been put in that form. Can you go? Not will you is the way I put it.

I was sorry not to see you yesterday. It was good to see you. Other engagements hastened my leaving the meeting.

Sincerely yours.
Laura Sunderland.

January 18th, 1889.

Washington.
Tuesday.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

It will be beautiful if you can go to Dover. You had better correspond with the Newcastle Presbyterial President, Mrs. J. S. Malone, Newark, Delaware. At one Presbyterian Executive Committee Meeting today it was agreed that a week of meetings should be arranged for you sometime in February if you can only come. Mrs. Malone was to write you todat about it. I shall send word to Mrs. Malone: to be on the lookout for letter from you and shall give her your Military Point address.

Hoping to see you soon in Washington,
I am sincerely your friend,
Laura Sunderland.

January 22, 1889.

Washington City.
2325 Q. St. N. W.
January 27, 1889.

Rev. Mr. Jackson.
Dear Sir:

I have been asked by the Auxilliary Missionary

Society of the"West Sure t Church" Georgetown. to write you in regard to our Indian boy from Alaska. Frederick Moore, whom we sent to school at Northfield. A letter was sent here from one of the ladies at Mr. Moodys whom perhaps you will remember was the sister of our lamented Mrs. Williamson, our former President of this society. The letter was opened and read. It stated that Fred Moore was ill with conjestion of the outer coating of the brain and it would probably be some time before he would be able to study etc.

Hearing that you would be in Washington in a few days I was asked to confer with you about him. Mrs. Hamilin informed me you had left, and Miss Sunderland advised me to send this to the Mission Rooms in New York.

Perhaps you will visit that school, if so will you inform us exactly of his case (Fred's) and if as a Society we are expected to do anything for him? Our Society has made its pledges for the year to its utmost ability, but I think we have some few in the Congregation who would render some aid. Some of our ladies suggested he might have to be sent back to his home without finishing his course.

Your kind attention will much oblige,

Yours respectfully,

Mrs. Jos. E. Nourse,

President Miss' Soc V.

Board of Indian Commissioners.

Washington, D. C. January 23, 1904.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Yours of the 2%d is received. The names of the committee are as follows:

Clinton B. Fisk, 15 Broad St. N. Y

Sheldon Jackson

Dr. T. C. Childs, 1308 Conn. Ave. Washington, D. C.

Miss Anna L. Dawes, 1414 K. St. Washington, D. C.

Dr. H. Kendall, 53 Fifth Ave. New York.

Dr. James E. Rhoads, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

H. C. Houghton, Borton, Mas.

Mrs. A. S Quinton, 1401 Locust St. Philadelphia.

I do not know what plan the Committee will adopt, but I agree with you that this city will be the best place for the meeting and interview.

Yours truly,

E. Whittlesay.

Secretary.

Sitka, Alaska.
January 23, 1888.

My dear Doctor:

The School Board have had a meeting tonight and I have obtained a few facts from Mr. Duncan. Delaney appeared as an attorney I suppose and made a plea for the Greek School. Andrew Kashevaroff was employed to succeed Miss Deehu temporarily until the arrival of Mis. Cassia Patton. Not long ago this same Andrew appeared before Judge Keatleyand refused to appear in Juneau on jury duty because he is a subject of the Czar. He is the father of at least three bastard children. Mr. Duncan is angry at the Mission I feel sure. He says the health of his boy is bad. Four have gone home and four more go by this boat. They are not learning trades. The Mission is not prepared to teach trades etc. Judge Keatley was appointed a committee to go and investigate the working of the Mission. I dont know what Commissioner Shekelay had to say but I am afraid that Swineford carried out his own views. I think that Keatley will do as he says. I imagine that Mr. Duncan is sore because his boys united with the church. Mr. Duncan is shrewd and far seeing and knows that much action of the boys is too independent for him. I dont know that Mr. Duncan went near the Mission. Swineford had him to dine. I'm afraid that in your absence Swineford has captured him. I hear that Mr. Grant has been ordered by the Attorney General to begin action against Delaney on account of the whiskey business and [illegible] on the seal business whistle blows.

J. G. Brady.

Indian Industrial
and
Training School, Sitka, Alaska.
January 26, 1888.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson

My Dear Sir:

I hope you found your family in good health. I miss you very much indeed.. We are all well. No important news came this steamer. Mr. Brady said he would write you this mail again. Miss Delph arrived this steamer. Judge Shakley was here. Mr. Duncan did not call at the Mission. He was entertained by the Governor. He takes four of the

boys who were and are sick home with him. Andrew Usher goes too to see his mother who is ill. He will return. He says that under his physician the boys are almost well who returned home. I think he is also offended about the boys joining our church.

Very sincerely yours,
W. A. Kelly.

Steamer Ancon, January 25, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Yours of 23 and 28 of December duly received, the latter only a few days ago. By the last mail from Sitka I received a letter from Judge Keatley informing me that I was expected at Sitka to attend to School Board business and hence I left Metlakahtla by the Ancon. Judge Sheakly joined us at Fort Wrangel and we held a meeting of the School Board on Wednesday night, the 23rd inst.

Your report had been returned to Sitka, as it seems the Governor took exception to some of its contents. As you were absent we thought it better that Judge Keatley should draw up another Report rather than have your Report discussed and changed in any way.

The lady teach at Government School, Sitka, had resigned so the place was ordered to be temporarily filled by a person in Sitka--known, I understand, by the Governor to be qualified for the position-- but a Miss Patter was to be communicated with as soon as possible to permanently fill the situation.

Some accounts were audited and then we were called upon to listen to a long written address from Collector Delany on behalf of the Greek Church authorities at Sitka asking the Board to forbid its religious teaching in any of the schools in Alaska supported wholly or in part by the Government.

The address was altogether uncalled for but it will I suppose be sent to the Education Department in Washington, to be put into a place where it won't trouble any body. I intend writing for comments on the address of Mr. Delaney's and sending them to the Hon. Commission Dawson.

As every mail brings to the parents of our boys in the Sitka School some unfavorable news about the condition of the boys as to health, a great deal of uneasiness is being felt and expressed. I am very sorry to say <u>four</u> more of these make eight in all and others still left in Sitka are not in sound health, as when they left Metlakahtla . I am persuaded there is something very radically wrong in the sanitary arrangement of the school, and unless the remedy is applied soon, I fear very serious consequences to the use-

fulness of the school will ensue.

The remedy should at once be prescribed and quickly applied and what the doctor is about that he does not exert himself in this particular, which is his special work— I do not know. I do not, I trust in alarming, but I fear very sad and sudden injury to the school is not far off. We have at our school five times the number of Tsimsheans children than there are at Sitka, and we have only one girl there who is sickly and occasionally kept from school on account of her health. With eight boys out of thirty-five should be invalided in eight or nine months speaks unmistakably as to the condition of the school.

I do trust W. Kelly will be instructed at once to take the steps to put things in a better state. Judge Kentley is going to examine into the matter and thus W. Kelly will have a good opportunity for finding out and calling to his aid the means and help the school calls for. No doubt the faults discovered as to the management or condition of the school will make our enemies rejoice, but to me they will be exceedingly painful. Wishing you a safe return with some needful help to carry things on in a better way.

Yours very faithfully,

W. Duncan.

Bethlehem, Pa., January 28, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

My dear Brother:

The $00 dollars, which by your kind and efficient cooperation, were secured from the U. S. Bureau of Education for our schools at Bethel and Carmel, have been duly received, and I am instructed by our Mission Board to express to you our most sincere thanks for your valuable assistance in this matter. Personally, also, I desire to thank you again for having enabled me to attend the, to me, exceedingly interesting Conference of the Indian Commissioners at Washington.

As regards our work in Alaska we have concluded not to try to send any married couples this spring, to strengthen our forces there, but instead thereof, we shall send out several unmarried women who are willing to devote themselves to the work.

I hope very much that it may be possible for you to visit our Mission stations before very long, and that you will continue your kind interest and cooperation in bringing the precious Gospel to the poor degraded Esquimeaux.

I trust also that you will succeed in having your leave of absence extended, and I shall be happy to hear from you again before your return to Alaska.

Very sincerely your brother in Christ.
Robt. de Schweinitz.

Rochester, New York, January 26, 1869.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Sir:

Our class (The NorthTower of Central Church) sent you in December, 1866, $20.00 for the Sitka Mission, Alaska. which you kindly acknowledged, sending us some photographs and the paper published there. This has kept up our interest in Alaska. Our class has now a little money ahead and think of sending it to Alaska and requested me to write you and ask your opinion to what mission we had better send it to the training school or some other mission.

Yours truly,
John S. Ford.
Treasurer.

Hartford, Conn., January 26, 1869.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

I see by the papers that you are "home again." Are you coming this way? And if so, could you stop over a train and let me have a bit of talk with you? I think that I can give the money for another home, if you have the right sort of people to take the loan.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am,
Very truly yours,
Sara T. Kinney.

Evansville, Ind., January 26, 1869.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Rev. Sir:

If Governor Swineford is there, please say to him that I consider it of great importance to him that he should see me. I cannot lay sufficient emphasis on the importance of our meeting. It is necessary, even if he must come here. Please show him this and wire me at my expense or write me if he is in Washington or when he is expected.

Yours truly,
(Signed) William Gavitt,
Spec. Agent U. S. Treasury.

53 Fifth Avenue, New York., Jan. 29, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I ver much regretted that I was unable to see you while you were in New York, but I heard a "good report" of your appeal, or statement in regard to the work in Alaska.

Some are asking, "When does Dr. Jackson return to the City?" And I am unable to reply. Could you inform me of the probable date.

I hope many may be aroused to earnest labors by your stirring words.

Respectfully, yours,
Mrs. C. E. Walker, Secretary.
Per E. V. H.

Pa.,
Byrn Mawr, January 31, 1883.

Dr. S. Jackson:
Dear Sir:

Yours of January 30th receiving, and after consultation with the President of our Association, we have decided to take Thursday, February 25th, as the date of your lecture. As the night will be dark, no moon, the meeting will be in the afternoon at 3:30 P. M., in the Presbyterian Chapel, (Mr. Miller's).

As the next work ofour Association seems to be the furnishing of one of our cottages in Alaska we would like you to give us some practical hints upon that subject. We also hope to hear from you in regard to legislation on behalf of our oppressed sisters.

Yours very sincerely,
Mary S. Richards.

Bethlehem, Pa., January 31, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Brother:

Your favors of the 26th and 29th have been duly received. Thank you very much for sending Messrs. Kilbrach's and Woolff's letter. I was very much pleased to read them, and hope our Missionaries will continue to keep you well informed, and that it may be possible for you to visit them this year.

I was very glad to see from the papers that our

good Alaska friend, Mr. McComas, has actually succeeded in getting an amendment tacked on to the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill, appropriating $10,000 for education in Alaska.

I beg herewith to return the letters sent, and am,
Very sincerely your brother in Christ,
Robt. de Schweinitz.

Minneapolis, Feb. 1, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
My dear Sir:

I have sent you by registered mail the promised picture of Sitka Mission. It is finished in strong light and shade, and I hope it will please you. I shall be interested to know what is done with it, even if it is not reproduced, it will make a pleasant picture for yourself and family.

The picture does not belong to the Government nor to the Mission Society nor any society except your own, which to me has always been pleasant, and this little sketch is sent to show my friendship for you, in appreciation of your kindness four years ago and of your hospitality, during my stay in Sitka last summer.

With regrads to your family. Mrs. Richardson joins in wishing to be remembered.

Respectfully,
T. J. Richardson.

Boston, Massachusetts, February 1, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Washington, D. C.
My dear Sir:

Cannot you refer me to the best printed report of W. Duncan's Metlacahtla work. Is there any report of your own upon it? I hope to visit Alaska next year and should be glad of any information about that or your own work in that region.

Yours faithfully,
T. F. B. Marshall.

Jamaica Plain, Mass., Feb. 4, 1889.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

We have two public Indian meetings in this town in the year, one is in April (or it could be the end of March). Are you liable to be this way about that time?

We should love to have you interest our people in your work.

We have a branch here of the Women's National Indian Association in which all the churches participate. Perhaps you remember telling the Observatory people of your interesting work in the parlors of my cousin, Commodore Belknap, in Washington. Mother is well. Your most beautiful Alaskan basket is one of the main ornaments of our room.

I hope I may sometime be where I can actively participate in your Alaskan work--maybe I can here.

My mother joins me in kind remembrance to Mrs. Jackson and yourself.

I saw by the "Red Man" that you were in Washington.

I have sent to Sitka to subscribe for the North Star.

Cordially yours,
M. Jarvis.
"Call Mansion."
Jamaica Plain., Mass.

I hope this will reach you as I do not know--this winter-- your special address. I really want to know if you have any idea of coming this way. If so-- then I will tell the Secretary of the Indian Society here.

M. J.

Jamaica Plain is ten minutes from Boston by steamer.

The Ontario, Chicago, Ill., Feb. 6, 1889.

Dr. Jackson:

Last June my Father, sister and myself took a trip to Alaska on the "Ancon". You joined us at Juneau, (I think) and added much to our interest in the Sitka School, and in Alaska in general. I have been asked to give a little account of Alaska (from a Missionary point of view) before our ladies' society next Tuesday, February 12th. Your informal talks on the steamer were so much more interesting than anything I can find in print and gave such thrilling particulars, that I am constrained to ask if you can send me anything suitable for my purpose. If you had the time to write, a short personal letter would be most acceptable. If I cannot get it by Tuesday. I shall be glad to use it at the next monthly meeting.

I don't know where this note will find you, but send it at a venture. We enjoyed our day in Sitka so much and are much indebted to you for it. Have there been any changes in the school since last June?

I hope you will not think I am asking too much of you, but if so, do not trouble to reply.

With kind remembrances in which my Father and sister

join.

Yours sincerely,
Anne Williams.

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53 Fifth Avenue, New York, Feb. 6, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Sir:

The Central Church people are very desirious of securing you to address their meeting the first Wednesday in April. Miss Tillson called again yesterday to enquire if this arrangement could be made. Will you be kind enough to write her whether you will be able to make this engagement and also apprise me of your decision that we may be prepared to answer any question that may arise in regard to it. Address Miss. C. M. Tillson, 360 West 51st St., New York.

Yours very sincerely,
Mrs. C. M. Walker, Sec. Per M.

Territorial Board of Education,
Wrangel, Alaska, Feb. 6, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Friend:

Yours of January 17th came on the Idaho. February 5. Judge Kenyley sent Mr. Duncan and I notice to attend a meeting of the Board at Sitka by the next steamer after you left. We went up on the Amoon and held a meeting January 23rd. The Governor was on hand and <u>loaded</u> but did no harm. Your report was returned from Washington, he would like to have gone through it, but we though it better to let lie on the table and have Judge Kenyley make a new one, and it was so ordered. Mr. Kelly presented a bill for rents and work but it was laid over. I think it will be of no use to present any bill from any of you people until you get back and we have a majority of the Board.

I received other vouchers for the salary of Miss R for the months of October, November and December, which were audited and approved by the Board. We had no monthly reports to guide us, but I called on Miss R—— at Killinoo and examined her reports and found them correct as set forth in her voucher.

I also called on Mrs. Moon at Douglas Island and made out a voucher for her salary for September, October, November and December, so that I think all salaries in S. E. Alaska are audited and approved up to January 1, 1889. I sent all vouchers that were approved (except the duplicate which I kept) on to the Commissioner of Education at Wash-

ington. I do not know as to their being all correctly filled out I did it in so much of a hurry. I recollect now that I did not sign the printed certificate on the outside of the voucher, but I suppose that is not necessary on a salary voucher. Do we have to send a duplicate of the monthly report (teacher) to Washington. I hope that you will come back soon, this school business gives me more work than I expected, but it will be easier when I get used to it..

I expect to go up to Juneau on the next Aucon to remain three weeks to act in place of Commissioner William who has gone East. Hoping that you may find many friends in Washington, D. C., when you arrive there. I am,

Yours truly,

James Sheakley .

P. S. 2nd Edition.

The people of Juneau held an indignation meeting over the reports of Mrs. Voorhees. The Governor was there and made a flaming speech laid everything to the missionaries, crimes, outrages reports and the failure of the Newell mine was all owing to the presence of the <u>mesky</u> missionaries. The rabble cheered him to the echo. Mr. Delany came before the Board at the meeting on the 23rd with a long argument in favor of excluding the Bible and all religious exercises from all schools supported in whole or in part by the Government, the resolutions and the argument were referred to the Commissioner of Education. The Greek Church and their allies do not appear to be satisfied with what has been conceded to them , but want to control all our schools and , of course, abolish them.

The policy of cutting down teachers salaries and the employment of an inferior grade of teachers is a drive in the same direction. Miss Patton was elected to take the place of Miss Dash and the salary put at 80 dollars and a Russian employeeto teach the school until Miss Patton arrives.

I hope that a new Collector of Customs will be appointed who will execute the law in regard to the landing of whiskey, it can be done easily, if the officers will only do their duty. All well

As ever yours,

James Sheakley.

Indian Industrial Training School,
Sitka, Alaska, February 6, 1880.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Since the election and the appearance of the Mrs. Voorhees letter, which has made the pretext, the leading civil officials have combined and sworn vengeance against the school and the missionaries generally. Their reports now being forwarded to Washington are as untruthful as they are malicious. I have been told that their object is to "singe" the Board by having the Government appropriation withdrawn or disbursed through the Board of Education. The cry is that the churches are getting too much political power.

Governor Swineford seems desperate in trying to trump up charges against us. Judge Brady says he will write you. District Attorney Grant and Commissioner Shoakley are the only democratic officials here capable of making an unbiased report in regard to our school and the state of society in Alaska.

Very respectfully,
W. T. Kelly.

The steamer is here, your letters read and are quite satisfactory.

The bed-room will be fitted up as you suggest etc.. I remail you your letters. I am very glad you will bring Mrs. Jackson and your daughter. I think Miss Dolph will give good satisfaction.

Sitka, Alaska, February 6, 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Up to this writing Swineford has not left Sitka. I believe that he received advices from Washington that his procedure was not essential, but there is a mystery about his contemplated future action which I cannot fathom. He intended to go to Metlakahtla on the steamer. He desired and had arranged to take fifty of our breech loading guns and other equipment for the organization of a military company there, to be known as the "Metlakahtla Guards", but with Judge Keatley's assistance I succeeded in squelching the curious scheme, which was unlawful and without precedent. More especially as the Natives there, who came in with Mr. Duncan are de facto and de jure subjects of Great Britain. Everything is going wrong with Swineford now and this thwarting of a pet plan of his -conceived for no one knows what purpose-- has made him very ugly and vicious.

Vanderbilt has also delayed his going East, await-

ing as I anticipate, the Governor's , movements. Enough is known here, however, to stamp Van's candidacy for place as part of an arrangement between him and James Carrol and Carl Spunn, to give them a hold upon the Judicial affairs of the District. Leaving out of consideration-- my own desire to remain in my present place untilthe expiration of the term for which I was appointed. I do most sincerely trust that you will forestall any such plan as this, and see to it, that in every appointment made for Alaska, that there be no combinations for selfish and pecuniary interests.

The affairs of the District, are in a critical position, for now is the time when we need the assistance of good men in the administration of our civil affairs. We need concerted and united action, and definite manly purpose on the part of all of our officials.

I am sure you know our needs, and itis not necessary for me to urge them upon you.

Yours very truly,
Henry E. Haydon.

I do not think that you were aware, when you left here, that Vanderbilt is a partner and a co-owner with Mr. Jeff D. Kuhn in the Sloop "Alpha" now in our Bay. You will recall Mr. Kuhn's connection with the Seal Skin business. Mr. Vanderbilt being one of the appraisers under whom that deal was consummated. These are matters of record in the Department of Justice at Washington. To my mind Vanderbilt's application for this place(basing my presumtions upon his intimate affiliations here) is made with a design to use the office, in certain ways, for the benefit of parties who are not your friends, nor mine. I do not feel that I have any right, other than that of a man interested in the future welfare of Alaska to influence any action of the incoming Administration as to appointmen here, but I would again urge upon you to make it a personal matter to see and know that only such men are appointed as will be a credit to the Administration and a source of satisfaction to all of us whose homes are here.

You will please consider all of this letter as personal and private belonging solely to yourself.

Respectfully,
H. E. Haydon.

Sitka, Alaska, February 7, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Friend:

I have today received letter from my brother (Aaron Vanderbilt, 113 Wall St., N. Y.) up to August 11, in which he stated that he had not up to that time had the pleasure of meeting you. As he was absent in Washington for a few days I fear that you missed seeing him while you were in New York. I have sent him your address at Carlisle also at 13 5th Ave. N. Y., with request that he communicate with you.

The petition of endorsement of all of the ladies and gentlemen Missionaries here I forwarded to my brother a month ago.

This mail brought to me great encouragement from Oregon, California, Ohio and New York.

With kindest regards from us all to Mrs. Jackson and yourself, I remain,

Sincerely yours,
J. W. Vanderbilt.

Sitka, Alaska, February 8, 1882.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have been waiting for the letter you promised to send me announcing my election as a delegate to the General Assembly by the Presbytery of Alaska. Fearing you may have forgotten it in your press of business, I write to remind you of it. I want to leave on the first steamer in April and perhaps you better send it to Mr. Eaton and have him keep it until I come. I willget a letter from Mr. Brady also. You will hear of Miss Desha's leaving before this reaches you. Andrea Cashivaroff takes her place in the school. I hear that the civil authorities are going for the scalps of the Missionaries for turning this part of the world upside down. Wish it were true, for then it would be right side up. Mrs. Voorhees' letter the cause. Mr. Delaney is the hired attorney of the Russian Church authorities and they aim to prevent religious instruction being imparted in this school, because it is supported in part by the Government. I suppose you have heard of their plans from others, but thought it best to mention it in this. I do not know what power they may have to injure our cause now but they will do all in their power before they are --cast out--. We need in our offices here some near sighted men, who will be able to see stumps near home, and a few blind men for "importers afloat." Enquire of General Harrison. Mrs. Austin unites with me in sending our kindest regards to you and yours.

Sincerely yours,
A. E. Austin.

For

Jeim G. Brady

for

Governor of Alaska.

Indorsed by the Sheldon Jackson S. S. General Agent of Education in Alaska.

Presbytery of Alaska.
Teachers and Missionaries of Alaska.
Officers of Presbyterian Board of Home Missions.
" " " Woman's Executive Committee of H. M. of the P. Church.
" " " Norwegian Church of the U. S.
" " " Swedish Lutheran Missionary Society.
" " " Methodist Episcopal Woman's Branch.
" " " Baptist Woman's H. M. Society.
" " " Miss. Union Auxiliary of W. C. T. U.
" " " Home Baptist M. M. Society.
" " " Home Missionary Association.
" " " Home Mission Society.
" " " Home Trust Society.

To Hon. Benjamin Harrison,
President of the United States.

Juneau, Alaska, February 2, 1892.

Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In this mail I forward you a few Mining Records of my extra edition I got out giving Hon. Jeim G. Brady, an editorial notice relative to his qualifications for the governorship. I did not print it in my regular issue for the reason that it would have the effect to incite those of Democ ats who are opposed to Mr. Brady to action against his appointment. I sent him a number of copies to send to his friends, and I know that he did quite a number to places where I thought they would do the most good. The Free Press has been saying some very severe things about you and lies about Mr. Brady, but its effect is light. The better portion of Juneau's citizens are favorably disposed toward Mr. Brady's appointment.

Col. French is an applicant for U. S. Marshal, and has promised Doris Flannery (Sherlock's partner in the Dance House) to use his influence to secure Flannery an appointment in the customs service in Alaska. Thomas H. Nowell, of Boston, is now his influence in my behalf for an appointment, and I received a letter from him and now he

wants me to"buy" his influence by using my paper to "boom" certain mining schemes in Alaska in which he is interested, and which are of a doubtful nature. I will write him on next boat that I do not care for his assistance on terms of that kind, as I desire to keep my little paper free from anything dishonorable.

Mr. Brady sent me a petition signed by the Mission people at Sitka, which I send to you and you can use your own judgment and what will be best to do with it. I, of course, would like the collectorship and think with my knowledge of the ways and means by which liquor is introduced into Alaska, I could make a record by stopping a large percentage of the importation, however,in accordance with our conversation when you were passing through, I will leave it to you. By all means I want the deputyship at this place as the salary would enable me to conduct my paper in better shape for at present I am not making more than a living, and not a very good one either. I had to discharge my printer, and am now doing all the work editorially and mechanically, by myself, working day and night, and I have not foundtime to write to those from whom I might get valuable assistance for the appointment of collector. However, if I do not get the appointment, which I little expect, you confer a great favor by seeing the Secretary of the Treasury and secure my appointment as deputy at Juneau and for which service I will be under great obligations to you. If my paper was on a good paying basis I would not accept the best office in Alaska, for the reason that a newspaper man should be the power, or in other words, the guardian of the people against the unjust acts of officials.

At a meeting of the citizens here, an account of which you will see in the Record, Governor Brady delivered a lengthy address and was most bitter in his denunciation of you, Brady and the missionaries generally and everything else pertaining to respectability, which seemed to be well received by a certain element in Juneau. I did not have room to give a detailed account of his dying struggles as the governor of all Alaska and the Indian villages.

By the next mail I will write to Senator Mitchell of Oregon, who , I think would assist me, if he has no one else in view.

Hoping you will be successful in your undertakings in Washington,

I am yours respectfully,

Frank F. Myers.

I would be pleased to hear from you relative to Mr. B's chances as well as my own, and also anything you may deem of interest.

26 Arc. & Vick Park.
Rochester, N. Y., February 11, 1903.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:
Yours of 26th of January to hand, and in reply would say, our class after hearing your letter read, decided to send you $40.00 to assist in paying for steam laundry at the Training School Sitka, as you request. They consider it necessary that the inmates of school should not only be Christians but should also be clean. Enclosed please find D. E. #270430 on the Imp. & Traders' Bank, N. Y., for $40.00 in your order receipt of which please acknowledge. We continue to receive a copy of the "North Star."

Yours truly,
-Miss E. Park, Treasurer.
North Tower Class
Central Church, Rochester, N.Y.

New York, February 11, 1903.
11 West 42nd St.

Rev. Dr. Jackson:
Dear Sir:
Thanks for the pamphlet on condition of Indian women and girls. Please send 2K copies for circulation, and oblige.
When you come to the city, please call and see me.
Yours for humanity.
E. B. Fairbanks.
Enclosed please find latest shippings from ports.

San Francisco, February 12, 1903.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
125 E. Somerset St.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr. Jackson:
Your favor came duly to hand. The only way I can see to do with you want is to charter a schooner here and send her to Seattle to load. I am trying to get the figures both here and at Seattle, and will write you as soon as I can get something definite. Have you anyone at Seattle who can attend to this business for you. If so, I will correspond as well as advise with him and thus further your wishes. I give your missionary friends in Conn. full detail of the situation at the locality where he wished to go among the Aleuts and from one who has been to the spot. I have some

friends who think that "Unga" is the place above all others for a school."

Very truly yours to help all I can,
Chas. H. Wells.

San Francisco, October 20, 1886.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
U. S. General Agent Education.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Doctor:

I was very glad to receive your letter and sorry enough to know of the serious illness of your wife and hope that God has been merciful to you both and restored her to yourself and usefulness. I only regret that you have gone without my inestimable service as agent at San Francisco, merely because you had no salary to pay me, we pray you that you won't let that thought enter your head, but command me when you want me and when you want to splurge and put up a school building or a Golden sign or make a big show, I'll have no objection, but my dear Doctor recollect that I am glad to aid you at any time and in case I can help you say so and if it can be done I'll do it.

Truly yours,
Charles H. Wells.

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32 Sears Building, Boston, Mass.,
February 13, 1893.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Sir:

Hon. H. O. Houghton , one of our Boston Indian Citizenships was at the meeting of the Board of Indian Commissioners in Washington recently and met you, and has been conferring with us concerning Mr. Duncan's work. He thinks the ladies of some of our suburban societies could be enlisted.

Let me therefore ask whether you could come to Boston to address three or four societies and at what expense.

It is now a less encouraging time financially, there are so many shrinkages of income from R. R. investments, etc. but these societies control some receipts at almost any time.

On the Fourth Tuesday of each month we could have a few minutes at the Congregational Club, without doubt; and it would be of advantage to the cause to secure that.

Yours very truly,
J. W. Davis,
Vice Chairman of the

West Point, New York, February 13, 1882.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Sir:

I enclose check for $50.00 for the Alaska Mission, to be applied as you may think best.

A part of this was given by the little Sunday School of soldiers' children here at West Point. If ever in, your busy life, you could find time to write them a few stories about the work, I think it might do good. People know so little.

In the same line, Sir. If you could send by any one coming this way some Indian baskets, moccasins, implements, photographs etc. I should be very glad to buy them from the Mission. I have a large class among the West Point cadets and the more they know of the work and the darkness, before they go out perhaps--alas! -- to fight the people, the better.

I am,Sir, with deep respect and sympathy in the work,
Anna E. Ferrart.

1008 Clinton St., Philadelphia, Pa.,
February 15, 1882.

Dr. Jackson.
Dear Friend:

I received your letter, and have been waiting to hear from a friend I have spoken to about Frederick into her family for a time. But she failed to reply to me, and as I have received a letter from Miss Rittenhouse enclosing one from Mrs. Austin asking to have Frederick sent back to Sitka. I write to ask you the cost of a ticket to Sitka, and the other expenses. Miss Rittenhouse shares with me, if there is any doubt in regard to Frederick being able to resume his studies in the Fall, he had better go home. I feel sure it would be the best medicine we could give him. Of course we want you to do as you think best in the matter. You are the best judge. I feel a deeper interest in the boy than I ever did, since my dear sister was left me. She was so wise, and had such good judgment. There is none to take her place. My own health prevents my doing as much as I would wish to do. I told Miss Rittenhouse I would write and ask you the price of the ticket, and the other expenses. When do you expect to go back? Please let me know as soon as you can conveniently , as we will have to make application to the Sabbath School for the money.

I am truly sorry to learn Mrs. Jackson is not well. Give my kind regards to her. I would like if Frederick does go to Sitka to see him before he leaves. I will try and arrange it so as to have him come to Philadelphia. If I only had a home of my own it would be so easy to manage it.

Hoping to hear from you very soon, I remain your sincere friend,
Maggie J. Wood.

Office of the City Superintendent
of Public Schools.
Tyra, Fla., February 14, 1898.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,
U. S. Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

You are booked for a lecture here on the evening of February 28, at 8 o'clock. One train arrives here at 7 P. M. making connection at Baltimore from Washington. Another arrives here at 12:45 P. M. Either before or on which of these trains you will come.

On your arrival here, please register at the National Hotel, if there is no one to meet you. Should you come at 7. P. M. I cannot meet you, but will wait at the National Hotel an hour minutes or eight to bring you to the High School Building.

The lecture was announced at the last Institute and our teachers are looking forward to your coming with great interest. Trusting to hear from you soon again, I am,

Yours very truly,
E. E. Dudley.

Boston, Mass., February 14, 1898.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Are you any nearer the light than then were? In other words, have you seen the Commission in a good mood yet? The moment this can be said, "A teacher will leave for Alaska--" I shall be able to strike heavy blows. The more I think of that wise suggestion when you were here, the more I feel that we must have the teachers there this year. I did not know that you were suggesting or thinking of making appropriation for industrial work there at first. It is all the better if it could be, and, of course, you can't this year,---at least not much. If only for half a dozen it would give weight to the Institution if it could be, but we could survive a year without more than the teacher and his school outfit. Now, "my sole reliance" can you not promise me this, that if in your power (which I do hope will be greatly increased this year--shackles all stricken off) you will give us a teacher for Unalaska before this year is out, which means before too late to sail? Please do this

even if you have to <u>swim</u> somewhere else. Just let me
feel footsold there, and I will be able to take a long breath
Of course, I mean this in addition to Ungi for which I am
now pressing appeals upon all I can. Here comes a dilemma.
I have said Jesmer Lee Home was to be the first piece of
Methodist property in Alaska. As it looks now we must have
at least one room at Unga before that if we would not have
our teacher maligned as sleep in open air, as I am informed
there is not a foot of covered space to be had there now.
Miners and their "sourdoughs on" are coming in at a fearful rate.
Fearful even to think of the result, with no one to say
Thus far and no farther while from Sf.
these stereotyped letters, like I answer you, are
coming in still. Tell me this. "A man shall be sent in be-
fore in May (Sr) and one in September during the coming sum-
mer if it will be in my power to do so." I will ask no
more if it will be in my power to do so. I mean,
more than the teacher's salary and school outfit. I mean,
you will supply all Government school requisites.
You did actually say this of going to Pittsburg. I
sent card asking date, but have not heard from you. Please
inform me as I want Bro. Grarr to see you there if possible.
I still feel it better for him to go to Unga instead of
Unluck, and greatly desire you to go to Nome. By that you can
better decide. I prefer him, because he is not only a min-
ister but a physician. His wife was also good nurse or less.
Mrs. Baker is a downright missionary, W. C. T. U. worker and
"Do with your might what your hands find to do" woman.
Here are large Christ qualifications. Ministry, Medicine and
more than a "better half". Although his school ability
may not be equal to Bro. T. yet I think he might be more
than equal to demands in all but his letter writing:
I think Mr. Tuck might be the better for Unalaska
in some things and his wife better adapted in that place than
most others, because an experienced housekeeper on a larger
scale than Mrs. B. possibly.
I still feel that Mr. T. has not consecration enough to
do outright mission work, as did Mr. Carr over and above what
his <u>duty</u> as a <u>hired</u> employee. He is not inclined to con-
sult his wife but to dictate! If I rightly understand the
necessities at Unalaska, there is no very great opportunity
for mission work as at Unga, so that as a teacher Bro. T.
would be able to meet all demands. Our work would be in
his wife's hands any way.
I cannot bear the thought of another family going to
Unga with no knowledge of medicine. Mrs. Carr might have
been alive today and she had proper care and comforts. I
asked Mr. Tuck last year if he and wife could not read med-
icine with some physician until he was called for. Not
done. When you spoke of his looking up Russian. No re-

promise. After you left I remarked that was a good suggestion of the Doctors. "Well, I don't know", and no more. He appears to me to be a man who will meet all requirements union his obligations as a hired man demand, but extra work for Christ's or humanity's sake would not be spontaneous. I may be mistaken--hope I am, and yet am fully persuaded that it is better to send Mr. Baker to Unga and let Mr. Tuck wait until Unalaska is ready--provided you are pleased with him. I wish you would write Mr. B. to meet you at Pittsburg. I enclose his card this day received in answer to my note that you were to be there at some time, to me unknown.

Do please give me the assurance I have asked and as early as possible. I need it. My work needs it. Only a day or two since a lady--an old one who I am afraid will die before I get her money if I don't get it soon-- wrote me "Alaska shall have $100.00. I had hoped to send it before March. Will borrow it if you need it, but don't want to if I can help it. One thousand I gave last year to--- lies idle still. I don't like this etc etc."

This is the feeling of all--mine included. Could I have said Alaska will be open-- I could have had that $1000 which Nooksachk has. I could not and would not take it for an uncertainty-- as it is.

Yours for Christ and humanity.
Mrs. L. H. Daggett. Sec. A. B.
W. H. M. S.

An additional thought.
You said you had some Methodist women there. As many as will take a share in "Jesse Lee Home and Industrial School" may pay you the fifty cents for the North Star and I will pay over to the Treasury of W. F. M. S. the aggregate amount of same for their shares. All can be sent to me from Jan. until I can inform you to whom they should be sent.
L. H. V.

Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York,
February 14, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Friend:

Yours of the 6th inst: Contents noted. I am sorry to hear of your recent troubles. I came East for the purpose of securing the appointment of Marshal. I understood you to say, when in Juneau, that you would endorse me, and with your kind assistance aided by that of many others (if you think it necessary) I hope to be successful. When should I be in Washington? And will you present my name to Harrison? Please let me know if I can depend upon you. It is needless to say how thankful I would be for

your aid, and how true a friend I would be to the noble work you are carrying on in Alaska should I be appointed--suffice to say that you will never regret any favor you may extend to me.

Very Respectfully,
S. W. Gordon.

5th Avenue Hotel, N. Y.

Hartford, Conn., February 16, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Thanks for your note and the circular. I can make good of the latter. Perhaps it will bring me an additional $300. If you are to be in this part of the country, I should be very glad to have a little talk with you. I ought-- I suppose-- to have something in the way of mortgages from those young men to whom money has been loaned. I have simply your receipt for the amount. But they are under no legal obligation to pay back a cent of the loan. In some way we should arrange the matter so that they may feel responsible for the debt. Will you think over the matter, and let me know how you regard it, and if you can come to Hartford for a conference, please let me know the day which will suit you and I will be at home.

Very truly yours,
Sam'l T. Kinsley.

Washington, D. C., February 18, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I am in receipt of your favor of the 9th inst. I am inclined to think that after the inauguration would be the best time to call upon General Harrison--say March 6th. You think this over, and advise me about it. If you prefer February 27th, let us make it on that date. I don't suppose we can have any influence whatever in the selection of a Secretary of the Interior--but may have in the choice of Commissioner of Indian Affairs. General Harrison's life is wisely buttressed out of him by the politicians. He might be happy to see a crowd of non politicians. And yet I shrink from interviewing him until he is President.

Very truly yours,
Clinton B. Fisk.

Lockport, New York, February 12, 1889.

Rev. Dr. Jackson.
My dear Sir:

A dreadful debt is staring our Womens Home Missionary Society in the face again, and we are all, as societies summoned to the rescue. Now, we of the Missionary Society of the First Presby'n Church here, would be glad to get a crowd together in some way and ask of them generous free will offerings toward this end.

Now can you come and help us, and tell us by way of a story something of life in Alaska? Any time between this and the middle of March, fixing your own time?

Can you take us in en route, to somewhere, perhaps, so as to not make a long journey for this special purpose.

We'll trust all well, and make full ready, if you 'll please assure us that you can come to get up the breeze.

Hoping to hear from you personally, at your earliest convenience, I remain,

Yours very truly,
(Mrs. M) Julia Mayer.

York, Pa., February 18, 1899.

Rev. Dr. Jackson.

Dear Sir:

You will perhaps not remember me, but I took tea with you once I believe at Dr. Nicodemus's in Trenton, N. J., and heard you speak in Dr. Hall's church. I understand that you are expected to speak in our city (York, Pa.) on Monday evening, February 27th. I hope I shall be able to hear you then, and perhaps some of our people will be able to, but I am write especially to see if we cannot get you to come, on Saturday, and speak in our church, Calvary Presbyterian, on Sunday. We would be very glad to have you come and talk to our people about Home Mission work in general, or of Alaska in particular. Our building is not the largest Presbyterian church in town, but we could try and give you good sized audiences both morning and evening, and we have quite a large Sunday School which we would be glad to have you address.

So far as financial remuneration is concerned, I do not know as I could promise you any, but you have the satisfaction of speaking to some who might at sometimes contribute either means or themselves to the cause.

Will you please answer immediately.

Very truly yours,
Geo. L. Smith.

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2 nd West 42 St., N. Y., February 20, 1899.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have sent today, through the Home Missionary so-

ciety of our church. $2500 to build a Boys' Hospital at Sitka and write you about it at once, in case you may wish to send any instructions or suggestions in advance to Sitka. I hope the building can be begun at once. Hoping to see you when you call again before you return to Alaska.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

W. L. Sheplrd.

Boston, Mass., February 20, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:

Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Sir:

In behalf of our Boston Indian Citizenship Committee I wrote you some ten days ago inquiring whether you could come to Boston to address three or four of the Indian Societies of this vicinity, and possibly the Congregational Club of Boston next Monday evening.

The time has now drawn so near, that it may not be possible to control the time for next Monday meeting--but could you give a choice of next time, or the 4th Monday of March telegraphing me at 32 Sears Building, Boston, Mass., at my expense, and naming it that expense to our Societies, who, will, of course, cover all your expenses on last visit- over you name will be granted to you without expense. As I wrote, my request was in consequence of the recent interview Dr. H. O. Houghton had with you in Washington, but you may recollect my own interview with you some time ago in Washington.--I think by introduction of Miss Fletcher-- and we have hoped you would be able to favor us at some time.

It will be a great pleasure to receive you at our own home.

I fear that my inquiry or your answer has miscarried because Miss Jarvis, of Jamaica Plains, has received some word from you from Carlisle recently--but I have not seen her.

Yours very truly,

J. W. Davis.

Newark, Delaware, February 20, 1883.

Shelden Jackson, D. D.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I wrote to one of our ladies in Wilmington immediately after leaving you at Newark on last Saturday, but received no reply until today, owing to a delay in the mails.

As almost all our churches will be holding special services until the 10th of March, they request me to ask you

if you could appoint a serviceforr them after that date, as they think they could give you an much larger an audience after that time.

If, however, your arrangements after that are too uncertain for you to feel willing to make any engagement to speak to our societies, they trust that it will be in your power to be with them on the evening of the 1st of March, the date you gave me last Saturday.

If the latter is your decision, will you please telegraph to Mrs. Lafayette Burks, No. 702 West Street, Wilmington, that you will be with them on the 1st of the month.

Be kind enough also to remember the price of the telegram, that it may be returned to you.

Hoping that you feel encouraged by your efforts this week in our Synod.

Very cordially yours,
E. L. Malone.

East Portland, Oregon, February 21, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am applying for the position of Marshal of the U.S. District of Alaska. I think that without doubt that I will have the endorsement of four senators besides Representative Cannon and Hermann. I am very anxious to receive the appointment now that I have been induced to try for it. Will you kindly do what you can for me. I believe you are friendly towards me and approve my action and cause while an official in Alaska. If you are so disposed will you secure for me the endorsement of the Mission Board. Also will you personally aid me.

Willoughby Clark is trying for U. S. Attorney, I see he was arrested in San Francisco a few days ago. He has been circulating a petition from Southern California to Portland. Also Starrett is with him and is wanting to be Clerk. Both men are known to you and the above I suppose will be sufficient for your information.

Please let me hear from you.

Very truly,
Andrew T. Lewis.

Industrial School, Sitka, Alaska.
February 21, 1889.

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Please dear sir, don't forget to talk to the friends about my going East for further education. I like to go for my people's sake, I don't like when my learning's through to go home and be taught again. I wish to go home and work and use what I have learnt.

The only thing I need the most is the English language nothing but the language.

I prayed our Heavenly Father should lead me in the right, and if His own will I will go home and do all I can to help my people and the surrounding tribes.

You know Mr. Eaton can't live forever, some day he will be called and who will be his successor? This I am thinking every day, so I am doing my best to go as fast and as sure as I can in school.

I know that "God will help those who help themselves." I missed you, dear sir, very much. Hoping to see you soon,

Your faithful friend,
Edward Marsden.

Chicago, Ill., February 22, 1889.

Sheldon Jackson, Esq.,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Through the newspapers we hear startling accounts of the terrible condition of the Indian tribes of Alaska. Can you inform us whether or not these reports are true?

We take a great interest in these suffering people, and would be glad to interest others in their behalf. A short article from you here in relation to this subject for publication in the Union Signal, the official organ of the W.C. T. U., will be gratefully received.

Very truly yours,
Mary Allen West.
Per S. M. M.

Washington, D. C., February 22, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have yours of the 21st. If March 6th will suit all the Indian Committee, I see no objection --though I should not propose a date so soon after inauguration before the crowd will get away.

Yours very truly,
E. Whittlesey, Secretary.

P. S. Come and dine with us any day that will suit at 6 P. M. and bring Mrs. Jackson if she is here.

S. W.

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380 West 51st St., New York, Feb. 8th, 1883.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

Dear Sir:

You have probably heard from the ladies at 53 Fifth Avenue that the Missionary Society of the Central Church would like to have an address from you on their anniversary. The society is organized for both Home and Foreign work--and if we can secure a good speaker we may also have a short address by a foreign missionary. As this is our best opportunity to bring out the church people and interest them in the work of the society, we endeavor to make these occasions as attractive as possible. The meeting will be in the afternoon and if the night is favorable, there will probably be a good audience. We are to have our own minister, Mr. Smith, on March 3rd, but we presume that will make no difference to our having the first Wednesday in April for our anniversary exercises. We have done a little work for Alaska, and it would afford us much pleasure to hear an address from you on this subject. Will you kindly let us know at your earliest convenience if we may expect you. It is possible that we might arrange to have the meeting on March 27th, if more convenient for you.

Yours truly,

Christian M. Tillson.

Washington, D. C., February 22, 1883.

Rev. Dr. Pitzer.

Dear Sir:

Will you let me know the address of Dr. Sheldon Jackson The Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church would like to have a conference with him in regard to proposed Alaska work, and I am delegated to get any information from you possible, as to his stay in the city and any plans of his as to being in our city this month and the next.

Respectfully,

Miss Louise M. Low,
127 C St., N. E.,
Washington, D. C.

Pittsburg, Pa., February 22, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Friend:

When may we expect you in Pittsburg, and how long will you be with us. Will you be with us over Sabbath(at Butler Street) when you could be with us and rest--preach once for us, talk in the S. S. at 2 P. M. Lecture for us any Tuesday night on Alaska and meet with the ladies in the afternoon and they will have a tea and have all the Home Auxiliary societies in attendance and the proceeds of lecture, after expenses go to Jesse Lee Home. We will loan you all the curios we have and if you brought a few others, it would be an exceedingly interesting occasion. Rev. Mr. Baker would like to be present on the occasion if possible, so I should like to send him word. Please let me know and suggest anything to add interest to the occasion.

We shall be most happy to entertain you, if before March 10th, or after April 1st, as we expect to be moving to our new home after March 10th.

Truly yours,
S. Hamilton.

[illegible] Broadway, New York, February 22, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

The enclosed letter from Brady tells its own story. There is need of prompt action, attend to it if you can. If necessary call on such men as Dr. Sunderland, Hamlin, Childs and Bartlett to help you. If needs be Dr. Irwin will go down and see it through. If you need him telegraph him.

The point is to prevent Villas or Congress from printing a lot of lies which will damage the mission.

Return Brady's letter after using it.

Yours truly,
C. E. Boyd.

Sitka, Alaska, February 5, 1889.

Henry Kendall, D. D.
Wm. Irwin, D. D.,
Secretaries of the Board of Home Missions,
[illegible] Fifth Avenue, New York City.

My dear Friends:

I have just heard that Governor Swineford and Collector A. K. Delaney have been bending every effort of late to rake and scrape up anything and everything possible against Missions and Missionaries in Alaska.

They think that they have an opportunity to strike a telling to the cause and people that they hate. The Senate Committee have asked Secretary Vilas for information in regard

to the morality of the people in Alaska. Secretary Vilas has sent to Swineford. Delaney is from Wisconsin and is well acquainted with Vilas. A. E. Delaney's opinions and beliefs are on the Ingersoll order. He is the most profane man in Sitka today. Somehow he has developed his hatred for the Mission of late. He appeared before the School Board on the night of January 23rd. and delivered for three quarters of an hour a harangue as the hired attorney of the Russian Church. The Russians claim that they are teaching the natives without compensation and they want the Mission School to do the same. I did not hear Delaney, but those who heard it feel that there was a hostile animus throughout.

Dr. Irwin when here came in contact with him about his deputy's action at Fort Wrangel. This he did not like. He hates Dr. Jackson. Why I do not know for I believe the Dr. has never had any business with him whatever. Delaney is agent for Mr. Haltern who claims the saw mill. Long before he became agent Mr. Kelly consulted Mr. Grant, the U. S. District Attorney about the flume which crossed the road. It is low and is in the way when anything is three feet above the wagon. The boys have to stop and unload. The mill had not been in use for years and Haltern had no agent here. At Mr. Grant's advice, Mr. Kelley cut out a section of the flume that crosses the bridge. After Delaney became agent for Haltern he made a demand on Kelley for damages and upon his refusal to pay brought suit in the District Court. This suit is now pending and Delaney intends to make all the trouble that he possibly can. He had the section restored and occasionally a log is sawed in the mill. The flume is a real nuisance and would not be tolerated forty eight hours in any Eastern town. I heard that Swineford and Delaney have about sixty five pages of stuff to send out.

It will I feel sure be aimed as a stab at the Missions and at those who are in charge. They think that they are going to strike a tremendous blow before there is time to parry it.

They wil among other things make statements in effect as follows: "The only white men who are living with Indian women in Sitka are two who have been employed by the Mission one of them commissioned and sent out by the Board."

Now let me explain this. A man, Joe Liberty, by name was sent from Juneau to jail in Sitka for giving liquor to Indians. He is a sort of blacksmith. When his time was out he was employed by Mr. Kelly to do some work on the water pipes, etc., because he could not obtain any one else. Liberty is a Roman Catholic in faith. Governor Swineford had employed him to do work for himself, fixing stoves, grates etc. He may cohabit with Indian women, but not to my knowledge. Since Mr. Kelly has had a boy drilled for the work

Liberty has not been hired nor has he been near the Mission. The same is true of the other man, James M. Shields, whom they will represent as being commissioned by the Board. He has been employed to do carpenter work when they needed help very much. He has been employed by both Delaney and Swineford to do work for them. He is a young Scotchman, and like too many young men who come to Alaska has gone astray That both of these men have been employed by the Mission is true, but that Missionaries have approved of this bad conduct is a villainous lie. I feel sure that this kind of thing will make up a large part of their communication to Secretary Vilas.

The Governor's man among the Russians is George Kostrometinoff, a man who has done the Mission more harm than all others combined. He is forever at it. Since the reginization of the Civil Government he has had things pretty much his own way. Both Kinkaid and Swineford have secured the office of Court Interpreter for him at a salary of one hundred and twenty five a month. He has used this position to the constant injury of the Mission and of the natives who attend the services there. Some boys have left the Mission and some were turned out. Swineford and Kostrometinoff have been closeted with them part of last week and no doubt for the purpose of getting material for this letter which will go before the Senate Committee. Swineford was at Juneau a month ago. While there he had a meeting called --an indignation meeting-- over Mrs. Voorhees' letter. The most profane man in the town was chairman of the meeting. W. F. Reid, Swineford spoke and his argument was that it is over eighteen months since Mrs. Voorhees was in Alaska. Why did she wait until after President Cleveland was defeated before she published her letter. Ans. Because the Missionaries had so. They are to blame for it all for if Harrison got elected they would set up a cry of the horrible immorality in Alaska, and thereby have some of their brother missionaries appointed to office and strive to bring discredit upon those who are just leaving. The Chairman was intoxicated and when missionaries were mentioned he would cry out "Damn 'em." There is a class of men in the Territory who are opposed to religion. They constantly revile Missionaries. Delaney, Reid, Swineford and many others are of that class. It is not Dr. Jackson or any other person, it is the cause the message to repent of their sins and sin no more that they do not like. If the angel Gabriel was conducting the work there would be the same depraved character, the same revilings. They consort with those who practice evil. Judge Sheakley was not long in Alaska before he found this to be true. The U. S. District Attorney. I think M. Grant since he has been here has manifested a spirit of fair play toward the missionaries.

He is not a professing Christian but has acted in a straight forward manner. Swineford avoids him and never consults him.

February 7th, 1883.

Since writing the above I have learned that Swineford alone is responsible for the communication which is now ready for the mail. He read it to Delaney and Delaney told my informant that it is a bitter attack upon the Mission and upon Dr. Jackson. He expects it to reach Secretary Vilas before he is out of office and that that officer will at once turn it over to the Senate Committee for publication. He cares nothing for the truth. Over and over he has been branded as a liar. He thinks that this letter will create a sensation. If it does and thereby injures the Mission and Dr. Jackson he will fairly gloat. It will make no difference to him if every assertion is proved groundless and false afterwards. I hope that you may take the proper means to have this communication examined and measured in the light in which it has been written before the Committee publishes to the world. These constant and bitter attacks must have a disturbing and undermining effect upon the minds of those who cherish and support this good work that is now going on despite all obstacles.

I feel like saying a few words in praise of Mr. Kelley. You both are far away and cannot know the real worth of this good man. In the first place he has the true Missionary Spirit. In trying to bring order out of chaos, he has been opposed step by step. The teachers have wanted each his or her own way. When Mr. Kelley first started in there was no discipline anywhere. There were leaks and wastes in every direction. He bears all firmly and meekly. All responsibility comes upon him. He gets all the blame and but little praise. Men like Swineford cannot know him. They never speak kindly of him. Some of the teachers are just beginning to appreciate the man's worth. He has had to learn much, as would the best man in the world have to learn in an institution of that kind. Now that he has had the profitable experience and has proved himself so eminently fitted for the place it would be unwise to let him leave. I hope that you may be able to support him more generously by building up and ~~?~~idening out the Industrial departments and by sending him good helpers. The Christian Character of every one commissioned should be well ascertained and vouched for before sending them. Mr. Kelley has found that those who have been early trained as Presbyterians are his best helpers Mr. Kelley has grown thin of late. The work has been pretty hard for him. I should like to see him take a rest.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) John G. Brady.

Washington, D. C., February 26, 1889.

My Dear Dr:

None of the other parties mentioned by Mr. Boyd were at the meeting. I saw Senator Dawes. No report has come yet, and the Senate today ordered an investigation by its own Committee. They will visit Alaska in the summer. I have written to Mr. Boyd. Have just got back from the Senate and write in haste.

Yours truly,
T. S. Childs.

See my letter to Mr. B.

Wilmington, Del. February 25,1889.

Dr. Jackson.
Dear Sir:

We are delighted at the prospect of having you with us again. We remember with a great deal of pleasure your last visit here. Please let me know at your earliest convenience the date you expect to come. We will try to give as many as possible to hear you. Mr. Marks wishes to be remembered.

With kindest regards, I am,
Sincerely,
L. C. Marks.

702 West St.

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23 Fifth Avenue, New York, Feb.25,1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
U. S. Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have just received your note with regard to the Boy's Hospital at Sitka. We will wait your visit to New York before determining the matter.

When may we look for you here? The New York Presbyterial Society are very anxious to have you meet with them at their Annual Meeting, the first week in April. Will it be possible for you to do so? The bound volume of the magazine shall be saved for you.

Cordially yours,
N. V. Finks.
Secretary.

(Mrs. D. S.)

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12 Broad St., New York, February 27, 1883.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have a letter of the 23rd inst., without signature--but I know it is from you. I discover that I cannot be in Washington until after Sunday the 10th. How would the 13th or 14th do for our visit to the President? 7th and 8th I must be at the New Jersey Conference at Salem, N. J., but I can call the Committee just the same. You can get along without me. Whit say.

Yours truly,
Clinton B. Fisk.

Boston, Mass., February 27, 1883.

Dear Bro. Jackson:

Pardon me for troubling you but every straw that moves is carefully watched by me.

I received your last letter before on today from you was on plain paper and stamped envelope. Also today, does this mean that your enemies have conquered at last and with their last breath I called my husband's attention to it. He said because not Government business, but there was sufficient in such strictly Government and all indirectly so, except a few sentences. Another thing made me fear your plans had not turned about smiling because you did not write when you found "him" grid returned and I thought if ever he was to be before his head died off he must have been as before now so this makes me fearful. Please do not keep dark from me any more than light (This is what I wrote you at 8)was which was not answered.)

Miss Dora's address is 244 Putnam Ave., Cambridgeport, Mass. If you come to Boston now long a stay and can I have it later for Sunday evening?!!

Yours for Christ and humanity.
Mrs. Bigelow.

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9 Morris Ave., Jamaica Plains,
Feb., 27, 1883.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

Dear Sir:

On account of Miss Jarvis' illness it become my duty to answer your letter to her, written from Washington the 22nd.

We wish the Indian meeting referred to in the telegram to be a union meeting of all the Presbyterian societies, for that reason you will see that arrangements must be made several weeks previous. One society at least will not be able to unite with us unless they can have definite no-

notice within a few days. As our Indian Association consists of members from all the churches, and our executive committee at their meeting this afternoon have voted to erect two cottages in Alaska. If you can find two promising Indians who need the help, we wish all the churches to be represented at this meeting. Do you not think that under the circumstances you can send me a definite promise at once to be here March 17th?

I will do what I can to arrange for another meeting for you the same day.

Please send your reply to me.

Very sincerely yours,
(Miss) C. Gilman.
Sec. J. P. Indian Asso.

Boston, Mass 25, 1883.,
Parker House.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Dear Friend:

Your two letters of the 18th and 19th insts. received, and I assure you the contents are fully appreciated. That I have not for the past few years led such a life as I should have done had I been more happily situated no one can realize better than myself. I have no excuse to offer, other than the lack of moral courage to suffer the trials imposed upon me by a seemingly cruel fate. Years ago I loved and was married to a really good, and virtuous young lady who would have been the guardian angel of my life, had it not been for several of her malicious associates whom she mistook to be her friends, and yielded herself up to their influence in an evil hour. The result was a separation and divorce brought about as the result of an offence I had never committed and was kept in total ignorance of its nature, until after the lapse of more than twelve years, when I unexpectedly received a letter from the mother of my child, in which she stated that she felt it to be her solemn duty to tell me that I was innocent. That she had at last discovered the perfidy of her supposed friends, and that she had been their victim. She implored me to come and see her and to forgive her for all the pain her weakness had caused me to suffer. This I have done and have also met my child who has grown up to be a handsome boy of thirteen. How I love that boy, only those can judge who have suffered as I have done. I will enclose his picture, which you can return as it is the only one I have with me. His mother has since married-- Stop a moment here, Mr. Jackson, and see if you can realize what my feelings must have been during all these years, that I thank God have at last passed away without destroying me. Denied of my wife: denied of my child, dissipation found me an easy victim. I

have experienced all of its horrors, and I am at last emancipated. Hereafter I have many duties to perform, which I am confident I will be enabled to accomplish and that I am no longer a slave to animal weakness.

You kindly suggest the propriety of my seeking a wife as a source of happiness and the means of leading a better life. This is just what I am doing. And I am now engaged to be married to as true and faithful a lady as lives in our beautiful land. She has known me for many years, and knowing all my past follies, she has faith in me and believes me when I tell her of the new life I have just entered upon, and which I will henceforth follow to the end.

And now in conclusion, my friend, I will say to you that I have not tasted of liquor for nearly one year, and am as far removed from intemperance as any one could be, not excepting those who never indulged for I have in the past drained the cup to its bottom, and have realized its every curse, which no one can understand without the experience. The reason I write all this to you is that I know you are a true christian and as such you are ever ready to assist those who are endeavoring to emerge from vice and darkness into a real and beautiful light. If necessary, inform the good President elect who, and what I am, and have been: and I feel sure that he will not turn me away on account of my past follies. I expect to be in Washington shortly after the inauguration. Write soon.

Your faithful friend,
C. H. Carnine.

1368 Conn. Ave., Washington, D. C.,
February 26, 1893.

My Dear Dr. Jackson:

I wrote you a card and Mr. Doyt a letter yesterday. If I have time before the evening mail closes I will copy my letter to Mr. Dawes and inclose. The copy I have would be illegible to you. I am still inclined to think I would offer Secretary Vilas a statement of facts to go with Crawford's letter and ask that it go with the Senate with the rest. If he wants to return a full and fair reply, I do not see how he can well refuse it, and if he does do it it will be a point in your favor.

I do not know the precise wording of Mr. Dawes resolution and therefore am a little at sea as to the best course.

I have a very strong paper from Princeton in regard to the school business(you can judge how much to reveal there when you see how the case stands). Unless Mr. Elliot Shepard and Mrs. S have committed themselves, I think they could favor this movement. I hope you will have time to see the

the Methodist brethren; though they may be prejudiced too. Dr. Hamlin has no answer from Dr. Kendall. I do not think Dr. Hill will be appointed. Of the six or seven in the race he does not stand the best chance as far as I have the facts. However, it is a free country, and if the Board insists on Dr. Hill and obstructs others, we can only wait the results.

Yours very truly,
T. S. Childs.

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41 West 45th St., New York, Feb. 26, 1883.

Rev. Dr. Jackson.
Dear Sir:

I have received the pamphlets you sent, and would be greatly obliged if you would forward fifty or one hundred more. I am most anxious to keep the ball moving and during the next administration hope to interest many of the senators and their wives in this great cause.

I feel sure you will also do all you can to help these poor suffering women and girls.

Yours very truly,
E. S. Morrison.

Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

The annual meeting of W. A. B. H. M. Society occurs May 8th, the second Wednesday of May. The Committee upon consultation, desire me to write to you, and urgently request you to be present at that meeting, and address us upon the need of work among the Aleuts. The meeting will be held in Perkins St. Church, Somerville, five minutes ride from Boston.

Will you write immediately and let me know if you can be present, and what the expense will be.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. M. C. Reynolds.

Wallingford, Conn., Feb. 26, 1883.

Norton, Mass., February 28, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:

Two friends have written Secretary Vilas and Commissioner asking permission for you to return via Boston, if you are willing on hearing from them and you will try to conform plans for meetings to your wishes.

Duplicate sent to Washington, J. W. Davis.

Telegram.

Bucoma, Colo., February 28, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

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J. W. Davis.

Bethlehem, Pa., February 28, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Dear Brother:

In reply to your esteemed favor of the 26th inst., I beg to hand you the enclosed petition signed by a number of our officers and members. We signed these papers very carefully, and hope they will help to bring the desired appointments about. I could, of course, have secured many more signatures of our members here, but presume the names of the officers etc., will be sufficient.

I am very glad to know that you will be in Washington to assist at President Garfield's inauguration, and here you will find an opportunity to interest the President in the Alaska work.

Our call for volunteers to go to the help of our Alaska missionaries has been responded to so numerously that we are somewhat at a loss to make the proper selections. No less than nineteen persons, male and female, have offered themselves as teachers and missionaries. Probably three, or perhaps four persons, will be sent this spring to Bethel and Carmel. I shall be glad to hear from you again before you leave for Alaska, in case you have any suggestions to make to us.

With best wishes I am,

Sincerely your brother in Christ,

Robt. de Schweinitz.

36 Wall Street, New York,
March 5th, 1869.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
No. 123 South Hanover Street,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Sir:-

I have your favor of February 7th, and also beg to thank you for the little wood carvings which I received in Milwaukee before coming East.

I am now much in New York and Boston and make my headquarters in our offices in those places. I should be pleased to see you at any time when you can find me in either of those places, and now I wish you to understand my desires in reference to the matters of which you write.

It is much easier to put money into buildings and masonry than human life, and people generally take to the idea of having a material monument of themselves. I do not share in this desire, and particularly wish not to have on the surface any manifestations of what I am doing underneath. What I wish to have done in Sitka is to help you to start a form of industry to which those natives are especially adapted, and to assist in their development in what might be called the line of least resistance. They show such aptitude for carving in wood and stone and horn, that I am sure you could furnish a system of instruction with improved tools and methods, which would enable them to create a new industry for themselves. Of course this involves more labor on your part and on the part of your associates, than to build a building but it is precisely that labor which I wish to obtain and encourage. I have no desire to have an "Abbot Museum," or anything with my name attached to it -- I therefore hope that you will not give up your efforts to find a teacher or teachers or persons who can organize this system and method of instruction in carving.

This is what I spoke to you about when I was in Alaska, and what I have been waiting to hear from you was if it had gotten under way. I hope you will find somebody who will organize such a school. I would be willing to pay say, $250.00 a year for five years to come and to properly secure the payment of that sum if every dollar of the money is to be applied in the expense of instruction tools and industrial apparatus suited to that particular industry.

The money which goes into human life, and the improved developed powers of these natives is expended in a manner very useful in my judgement, but unattractive to most people. There is no need of elaborate buildings or anything more than you have at present for this purpose, and wish you would devise some plan of utilizing my interest in this matter.

I will frankly say that I should prefer to put the $1,000.00 which you ask for into some form of human life in some other part of the country, rather than merely to erect

a building for a museum in Sitka. I look upon all surplus funds which any man controls as properly a trust to be applied as judiciously and thoughtfully to good uses as he uses the money for the pleasure and support of his family.

I hope to hear from you that you will be able to carry out these ideas, and at any rate shall always be able to carry out these ideas and at any rate shall always be glad to hear from you and confer with you in these matters.

Believe me, with much regard both from myself and Mrs. Abbot,

Yours very sincerely,
Edwin H. Abbot.

P. S. My family is residing at No. 19 Oxford Street, Cambridge. If you have never visited Harvard College, it would give me great pleasure to see you there some time, and my son, who was with me in Alaska, is now in his junior year at Cambridge.

E.H.A.

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March 1, 1893.

Dear Mr. Jackson:

I am so glad you can be with us on April 1st, to address the Ladies of our Presbyterial Service meeting is to be held in the Central Presbyterian Church 5th near Broadway at 2:30 We would be ready for you to speak to us by 3:00, will give you three quarters of an hour. We want a general rousing of the people on Home Missions all over our country Alaska of course must come in for a share.

Your name is to be our only speaker, we feel very happy in the thought of having this great pleasure.

Hoping you are well.

Very sincerely,
L. F. Wickham.

[illegible]
Fourth Ave.

Boston, Mass., March 2, 1893.

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Brother:

I do want you to speak at Baltimore Conference with at Baltimore Wednesday on the 8th. I have asked Washington Gallows to invite you if they have not privilege. Please [illegible] him for it if possible if they ask you. I feel that Alaska is dear to us all. Thank you for all you have done for us. There are lots of friends there that remember you. If you do don't fail to get acquainted with Rev. J. H. Pitt of Baltimore.

In their years,
Wm. I. H. Taggart.

Boston, Mass., March 6, 1893.

My dear Mr. Jackson:

I am still greatly concerned about the arrangement for the meetings. Two men have just returned and are going to work this evening and a third is working among some of the other churches- our plan for each meeting at Trinity Church being interfered with by Lenten services. Personally I have been a sufferer by repeated lenten starting for California and Oregon on business, but this forenoon, after much interruption of usual work and over this plan of your coming I have very little me at least some delay.

We have an [illegible] from Mr. Wilcox in answer to Mr.

Prince of Boston, and Mr. Figgurney Butler of Washington.
I hope this will be ok ahead on your confidency that it would be all right.
Yours truly.
J. W. Davis
In haste of the last hour hope curiously address-d you wrong.

Bridgeport, Alaska, March 6, 1893.
Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Dr. Jackson:
We are not afraid that you will forget Alaska's needs, but an occasional hint, or suggestion from those on the ground may not be amiss. Of course it is impossible for us to know what President Harrison's policy will be, whether he will remove all officials or not. This is certain, if Alaska is to receive any good for her schools or missions, if the liquor traffic is to be ~~[illegible]~~ by ~~[illegible]~~, there must be some changes.
The official, first in importance, in my judgment, is the Collector of Customs. I send you copy of the present collector at Sitka, you know him.
I think it may be you had not formed a decided opinion of the Judge of the district before leaving. Had you been present at the December term of court in Juneau, you would have no other sentiment of his worthiness. The first intelligence (Seattle) makes no mistake when it calls Delaney "Judge of the District". The Governor no doubt to you, feeling he is in excellent hands.
I hope your leave of absence may be extended 'till you see your heart's desire concerning Alaska.
With kind regards in which my wife sincerely joins, I am,
Most respectfully,
William C. Thomas.

Brooklyn, [illegible] St., March 7, 1893.
Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:
I desire to secure your aid and the benefit of your influence, which I learn from Dr. Kendall, is very great with the present administration in behalf of my son Herbert. He is a lawyer besides Sheriff of Kings County, and I feel unusually capable.
I desire his appointment to some office in the Territories--Governor, Judge, or Attorney. I think he will be found "capable, honest and efficient" in any position he will consent to accept. He is a well trained law-

yer. M[illegible] years old, tall, well shaped and comely to look upon, of good habits, hard worker, and an intelligent and clear headed Republican. I have trained him in the faith, we have always voted that ticket since the party was formed. My reasons for desiring this appointment for him are:

I desire him to go West and grow up with the community and become one of them. His partner Charlie is already there and we desire him to join him. All the family approve it as the best thing for him. And I want a home there where we can gather together in multiplied numbers.

Now will you be so kind as to speak a good word for us? I can give any references desired from men of all parties as to Bert's fitness for any office, his good principles and their training.

I am now reading--have been a hard worker ever since I preached my first sermon in Watertown --but I have not accumulated any money, or I would send Bert off with his pockets full and ask nothing from any one.

When you are in New York run over to see us, or let me know and I will run over to see you. I include in this Ink and your wife. All well and busy as ever.

Yours truly,
S. H. Taylor.

Sitka, Alaska, March 7, 1892.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Dear Sir:

Though I plan to see you every time, with my occupations, but we understand that you are so far from us. But when we feel so happy then we want it very soon till you come back to your children the Metlakahtla boys. Dear Sir, I have very little to talk with you dear Sir, but you understood about the little child in his father tell about that he wish to, that's why I ask pay to you dear Sir. All of us getting well every day. Some of the boys go through the Catechism now, and some get one half of it, so I salute you dear Sir as I am,

Your affectionate servant,
Benjamin Smith.

Boston, Mass., March 7, 1892.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Cambridge is at last settled for Monday evening in Sanders's Theatre (Harvard College).

We have been disappointed by Lenten services interfering at Trinity Church, but it may be arranged tomorrow.

There will be no possibility of your being prevented --we having no acknowledgment of our request from the author-

ities --and as said last evening Miles strangely said nothing in reply to a personal letter.

Yours truly,

J. W. Davis.

I expect to be in Washington on the 13th. Shall you be there and when?

Boston, Mass., March 8, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Ladies Educational Association of one hundred desire to relinquish their lecture and widen invitation if you can be here Friday afternoon fifteenth. Telegraph unpaid Newton, Mass.

J. W. Davis.

1753 P St., N. W., Washington, D. C.,
March 8, 1883.

My Dear Dr. Jackson:

Will you be in the city on March 14th? If so can you address our annual meeting? It is the Presbyterial and is held in Dr. Fullumm's church, Georgetown. I suppose you did not get in to see Dr. Vincent while he was here, and trust you had pleasant meetings after you left me. I think you must have filled the programme or I should have been hauled over the coals before now.

Please drop me a card immediately as we have little time in whichto arrange for our meeting.

Very sincerely,

Frances E. Hamlin.

Sitka, Alaska, March 8. 1883.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:

I have had no word from the Board about anything. If you should interview Dr. Barrett have tim to understand that it is hard work. I wrote him plainly and told him to show you my letter. If he should suggest some one for a position please send me the name and address of such persons. W. S. Campbell, an old acquaintance of Dr. Barrett's and mine, asks for a position but I can say now he is not suitable for the position he seeks. We want brawny workers or none.

Mr. and Mrs. Lake are both unsatisfactory. Both have poor health. He is a good instructor of a Brass Band but a lazy indifferent shoemaker.

Both have been justly "weighed in the balance and found wanting" for work of this character.

I think it is not their intention to remain more than a year.
I have written nothing to the Board about them.

Very sincerely,
E. A. Kelly.

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209 Washington, Avenue,
Brooklyn, Kenwick, March 8, 1869.

My Dear Sir:

Our Women's Indian Association have been waiting hopefully all winter--in fact since early fall, hoping to see your face in Newark. And as I was delayed at our Wednesday meeting to communicate with you to inquire concerning the probability of your coming East this spring.

I will state plainly that it was discussion of ways and means that brought you prominently to the front at our meeting. We hope that while in session we may receive an audience to be instructed by you in matters concerning our new Alaska possessions our exchequer may be benefitted also. Is there any hope that you may be in Newark this spring?

Please tell us what we may expect. Our Women's Association is dividing its energies for the coming year toward building a chapel for the Dutch Creek Mission in Nebraska, under the care of Dr. and Mrs. Bennett. We have already sent some funds to them and hope to do for them all with their requirements aside from their salary. (This is raised by the Massachusetts Association. The latter has sold by an Annual Entertainment a large and fine assortment of fancy and useful articles. Help us out, dear Doctor, if you can.

With kindest regards, and pleasant memories of our visit in the Sixth school,

Very truly yours,
(Mrs. C.C.) Mary M. Kidd.

Washington, D. C., 1424 N. Y. Ave.,
March 8, 1869.

Dear Jackson:

A few gentlemen will meet here on the 15th at 10 A. M. to counsel & agree upon some points of Indian policy and then call on the President and Secretary. We shall be glad to see you with us.

Yours truly,
E. Whittlesey, Secretary.

Cincinnati, Ohio, March 11, 1869.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education,
Alaskian Division,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Brother:

Yours of February 19th was brought before the Board at its last meeting. We are very glad to learn that you may visit Cincinnati on your way West. I have communicated with the ladies of other denominations associated with the Alaskian interests and have no doubt but that we will have their cordial cooperation in arranging the meeting the last of April or the first of May as suggested.

Very sincerely your friend,

H. S. Rust.

New York, March 12, 1883.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

The work on your meetings has been like other experiences in some line of a markedly mixed and patience testing character. For two or three days it almost seemed as if I should be obliged to telegraph that all plans, but that for Jamaica Plain had failed, and then Cambridge by a positive word came into line that was followed by a reversal or suspension, but that is straight again. But I have had to leave Saturday and Sunday forenoon and afternoon in charge of another gentleman, Mr. Ed J. Thomas, to follow up, but with small prospect of filling them. Our usual concurrence of special Sabbath School and other extra services prevent several of our interested pastors from opening their churches to us.

The list is:

Friday afternoon--West Newton Woman's Educational Club. at 3 P. M.

Sunday Evening at Jamaica Plain at Baptist Club. Union service, at 7:30

Monday Evening, Cambridge at Harvard College, Sanders Theatre, at 8.

Tuesday evening-- if you think it wise to use the evening and take the night train to New York, please telegraph to E. J. Thomas, Sears Building, Boston, for he has Dr. Brooks (Phillips Brooks) offer of Trinity Church Chapel that evening. And Mr. Thomas will then see if he can work up the plan.

I expect to be at home Friday morning and greet you on arrival (if you please, at my office, 32 Sears Building). If detained please ask for Arthur Chester, one of the clerks and he will be at your service to facilitate any plans you may have for the forenoon, and put you in line to meet Mrs. Davis at Newton (Newton, simply) the meeting in the afternoon being at West Newton two miles above, Mrs. Davis will be happy to receive you by the 12 o'clock train to dinner and then accompany you to the Club by the 2:40 train--or Arthur will direct you to the 1:30 train to Newton.

Any one at the Newton House will direct you to the house, but best take carriage with your valise.

And I will (D.V) be at home in the evening--and ever in all the rush.

Yours,
J. E. Davis.

Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society
of the Presbytery of Brooklyn.
March 11, 1882.

Dear Mrs. Pinkney:

Can you find out if Dr. Jackson can be secured to speak at our annual meeting on the 27th of this month? If so you will oblige us very much. Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Miller are the committee to secure speakers, and I am asking this favor of you for Mrs. Jackson, as she is sick, but improving somewhat.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. Alice Brinkerhoff,
206 South Oxford St.

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23 Wall St., New Haven, Conn.,
March 14, 1882.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.
My Dear Sir;

Your letter and telegram have received this morning. We shall be very glad to hear you address on next Tuesday, the 18th, in the afternoon at four o'clock. Prof. George E. Stevens will entertain you. Will you please [illegible] to his house, 68 Trumbull St. Mrs. Stevens is the President of the New Haven Branch.,

Very sincerely,
Ellen W. Gilbert.

Will you kindly inform Mrs. Stevens on what train she may expect you.

Red Bluff, Colorado,
March 16, 1882.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir;

I wish to secure your favor in regard to the appointment of the U. S. District Court for the Territory of Alaska. Three of the most prominent men in Northern California, Gen. Chipman, Major Cone and Major Kimball have written the strongest kind of an endorsement requesting Senator Stanford to

push the matter for an appointment. Gen. Chipman requests Judge Drake of Washington to present my letter. If you will kindly add your influence in the matter, I think I shall be successful in my effort, and meantime I am,

Sincerely yours,

John J. McLean.

P. S. If possible I would like a letter from you in regard to my character, ability, etc. Time you have known me, this to be added to the letters which will be immediately forwarded and placed in the hands of Judge Drake.

McLean.

[illegible] Chipman Av., March 28, 1898.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,

Dear Sir:

Many difficulties have prevented my bringing your request before the Committee, and I forward to you at this late date that Mr. Brady be appointed Governor of Alaska.

I consulted the Secretaries about Rev. T. R. Childs, the personal friend of myself and husband, but as they had already signed papers recommending Rev. Mr. Hill, they advised that it would not look well for the Board of Home Missions to advocate two candidates, and as Mr. Childs' letter, neither.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson generally brings about the wise ends he has in view, and we feel that in the future as in the past, Alaska's future will be safe in his care.

With esteem and attachment,

Truly yours,

Mrs. T. R. Jones.

Washington, D. C.

March 30, 1898. Wednesday.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Dear Sir:

The ladies of the Women's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church will accept with pleasure your offer to address a meeting on behalf of Alaska on the night of Thursday, March 28th, at 7:30 P. M.

The meeting will be held at St.John's Chapel, this city. I will see you before to make all necessary arrangements.

Please telegraph me at my expense, immediately, if the day and hour still are agreeable to you. We would like this immediate response in order to send out the notices to the different clergymen of the city Friday.

Gratefully yours,

127 C St., N. E., Mrs. Louise M. Low.

53 Fifth Avenue, New York,
March 21, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Jackson:

We have received a special for the Steam Laundry at Sitka, Alaska of $140, for which I have the pleasure of enclosing the Board's check to your order.

On receipt of this kindly send me statement of all funds that you have received on this account in order that I may acknowledge the same in our forthcoming Annual Report. It is important that the name of the individual donors and the churches should be given, as well as the amount contributed by each.

Yours very truly,
D. D. Eaton.

Grand Forks, Dakota, March 21, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

The ladies of our Missionary Society have become very much interested in the work of helping girls in Sitka, the year just closed in $60.00, and we would like to have it in this work. A few months ago the papers spoke of the great need of a home for native girls, that could not be cared for any end if this appeal has appeared other places, as it has such, the means will be provided for this home and we would like our mite to be used in this way. I hold this money subject to your order and shall hope to hear from you SOON.

Respectfully,
Mrs. George Ball,
Grand Forks, Dakota.

Our Society is of the
1st Presbyterian Church,
Grand Forks, Dakota.

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53 Fifth Avenue, New York, March 23, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have the pleasure of enclosing the Board's check to your order for $140, to apply on the Sitka Steam Laundry.

Yours very truly,
D. D. Eaton, Treasurer.

Rigas House, Washington, D. C.,
March 24, 1893.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Friend:

Your letter of the 22rd instant received, with enclosed slip from Evening Transcript and endorsement to Attorney General, for which accept my sincere thanks.

The other endorsement was lost between the Capitol and the Senate Chamber and has not been found yet so it is fortunate for me that I telegraphed you again, for I value your endorsement very highly, and so do the Senators, with whom I am acquainted.

My first official act, if I am appointed, will be to inform your friend, Mr. Thomas, of Wrangel, to remain in office as my deputy in that place. Is he a republican, and if so how does he hold office under Burton Atkins?

I will see you here in Washington. I am doing lots of talking myself about the missionary work of Alaska, what has and is being done, and I am listened to very attentively by every person I have occasion to speak to upon the subject. I can be of use to you in the U. S. Senate--especially if appointed-- in securing a larger appropriation for public schools in our Territory.

If you wish to you might write to Secretary Windom (addressed to me at the White House) a letter regarding the appointment of Mr. Myers as collector of customs. However, do as you please, but if you write to endorse him, send it to me.

Very respectfully,
C. H. Carwile.

Hartford, Conn., March 22, 1893.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Your note of the 21st is just here. I knew you were to speak in New Haven, for I put the ladies on your track!

You know our New Haven Italian Association is a Branch of my own State Society (see enclosed circular).

I hope you will be able to interest the ladies in our Home building work,--show them its importance, and what has already been done. Heretofore, there has been but little interest there except in mission work pure and simple. But there is mission work--and mission work,--and for grand, practical results. I don't know but Home Building is as good mission work as any we can do--of course, what I say to you of N. H. is not to be told upon the housetops, but I believe it is true that a speaker is always glad of points in connection with an expected audience. I have had a good

desk of correspondence with the Junior Civic Association and may say that we should probably not have secured that second cutter--but for this pamphlet you sent me. I will give a check for you if you can come to Hartford. I am in the grip of a disagreeable cold, which has confined me to the house for a week. I see no chance of getting to New Haven tomorrow.

Very truly yours,
Sam'l F. Kinney.

St. Williams.

Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C.,
March 27, 1883.

To the Attorney General,
Washington, D. C.

Hon. & Dear Sir:

As a citizen of Alaska deeply interested in the welfare of that district, I would ask for the removal of Mr. Byram Atkins, U. S. Marshal of Alaska, on the following grounds of General delinquency.

1st. He is inefficient--The requirements of the public service are not heeded [illegible].

2. He is officially Surveyor General yet not only knows nothing of Civil Engineering, but by his manner and instructions shows that he does not wish to know anything. Because of his neglect a large number of mining claims are unattended to, remaining in constant and serious loss and annoyance to the commercial interests of the country.

His treatment of the prisoners under his care has caused much remark among the citizens in Sitka.

For economy he kept a starving house and required the prisoners to work for him.

Last autumn an Inspector was sent up to Sitka and it was reported that the books and accounts of the office were found in great confusion.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 28, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:

I send you by mail today plans and specifications of the proposed church for your inspection you will please let me know what you think of them, and what changes you would suggest, if any, and I will attend to your wishes. Please return these as soon as you are satisfactory or not. If they are satisfactory I will send them to complete the work. If

not, they will of course be of no use to you.

Respectfully,

Isaac Purcell.

Native Church, Sitka, Alaska.

New York City, March 28, 1904.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

My Dear Sir:

Through the politeness of our mutual friend, Mr. E. C. Elliott, I am anticipating the pleasure of being introduced to you on Monday and hearing you speak on Alaska, which understand I am looking forward to visiting during the coming summer.

Mrs. Kilbourn and I would be gratified to have you dine with us very informally at six. I know it is very near as I understand you have an engagement, and I am under an appointment at Carnegie Hall at eight, but a dinner at the usual side of the city at eight.

Anticipating the pleasure of making your personal acquaintance.

I am, Respectfully,

Albert B. Kilbourn.

Boston, April 2, 1904.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Inside sheet

I do not know if the enclosed list of names will be of use, but send them. I could think of more names for additional names. Sorry (they would be of use).

Not hearing from you anymore you don't intend interviews. I have no appointment yet for Alaska. I have ordered nicely (?).

Now I must preparing some(?) and I think we can but you can do it. Our enclosed slip. Dr. If Dr. Wade, of Dr. Harriman union I suppose is of the kind, requires a formal complaint against Commissioner Brown who can prepare and enter or cause to be entered quite, more intelligently and accurately than you? Who can more fully realize the necessity for Brown's removal, for a clean sweep from top to bottom, with he has disappointed the cause of Alaska a dozen years past? (And who, save the writer and yourself can feel the need of it more).

Of course, I don't know the specific charge or complaint to be made by you (I know my own) but do not tell longer if this is that they are waiting for. Supply their needs "right smart."

Within a few days I have thought of the new formula. Nor don't laugh at me for I am nearly frantic with the "press different." It is more than making me sick. (Did you ever tell Brimfield how out in the Mountain's report of this we spoke and not one word about anything of your growth for years at work, and this, that man is probably on his way home in Hamilton Palmer--home to our long-tried for place?)

Dr. Fortenbaugh's little pamphlet, which I enclose, was sent me. Almost as soon as it arrived, "this father" was for Cruciansteen." Historic I have felt my union. It's time to liver hire Pierce is Bidwell at for a principle is contemptuous all but the fact that we're Pittsfield as a city minority here.

I have known Dr. Fortenbaugh more than twenty years--first met him in A. E. I. Convention and from the large house call as I looked down from the gallery upon them. I selected W.M.F. as the most [illegible] and sensible speaker. Whatever position he took he carried the house with him--not by clamor, but by will, forcible argument. I enquired who he was and learned his former home. Let me say before I go further with Dr. F., one [illegible] I have not seen or heard from in [illegible] I am going to enclose [illegible] I do from mere [illegible] writing to several persons in regard to the [illegible] Dr. Fortenbaugh. You know Harrison does that Brothers ask for for their own State— then he thinks it is

best! At any rate he has very great confidence in Senator Hoar.

But the one great trouble is to get the summary of reasons why Col. Dawson should be removed or asked to resign now. You can prepare these for presentation to the President or Secretary of the Interior whichever it belongs to and get the right one to present them too. Do you dare go to Senator Hoar? I'll tell you you can go to Mrs. Teller without danger to yourself. I do not know if Teller likes Noble. If he doesn't he will not ask him to make a little sharp cornered I judge. Teller I mean. If you will do this quick I will get a friend of mine who is very intimate with Lodge, of Massachusetts--Representative-- to ask him influence for Dorchester. I did not know there was be formal complaint in writing against-- think now that this order is more emphatic because of Teller's opposition. He wants to take him down a little. Of course, there must be "cause" if not complaint of more than ineffectiveness, which, of course, he is. Besides being cold and vindictive in general.

Isn't ineffectiveness enough "cause"? There is not a man in our whole state highly esteemed by himself and people than Dr. I think, for real good solid common sense and literary ability. He is not brilliant, but thoroughly practicable, able man for just such work as needs be done by a Governor-- a man of very fine proportioned head, well-balanced and large well proportioned head.

Please do not say to any one I am at the origin of this affair, I never'd see heard the end of it. Dr. would say, if he knew I was using his name without permission. I am desperate.desperate, so care little can be pleased or otherwise. only I do not want my husband to send me to an insane retreat quite yet. Tell me Dr., will you do this and at once? I am prepare the complaint. I am quite sure you would vote for Dr. Dorchester should you see his name without a word from any one.

Kindly yours.

Mrs. L. H. Diggett.

New Castle, Pa., April 2, 1897.

Dear Brother Jackson:

Enclosed please find check for $15.00 which I think you said was the price of the carved plaque.

It was good to learn of the many influential endorsements that Mr. Brady has received. I see too that the President has announced his intention of nominating residents of the respective territories to the offices within their bounds and that will also favor Mr. Brady. But so far as I can ascertain no appointments have yet been made of officers in Alaska. I will be glad if you will keep me posted in ref-

arrived in such a disinterested etc.

We should be so glad to see you before you return to the Territory. Can't you run in and stay with us a few hours any how?

Mother is much better than she has been. She can now walk across the room unassisted and we hope for her complete recovery before many weeks.

Suppose you have made a good many addresses lately, but have failed to keep track of you.

By the way, if you are in sympathy on the Board of Education, can't you secure Brother Ford just as lucrative a situation where there are more people of the white race? I volunteer this request, for my own feeling in the matter as Brother has said nothing to me about it. But it is doubtful if their babe can live in Wilmington while it might if it could have fresh air's milk etc.

It will be a great event for you to have your life-partner with you on your return to the North.

With kind regards,

J. B. White.

Washington, D. C., 127 C St., N. E.,
April 4, 1869.

Rev. Theodore Jenkens.

Dear Sir:

I received the statement of Mr. Parker which you so kindly loaned me, and of which I have made a copy, in case our facilities permit it. I thank you very much for it, as indeed I do for all your kind and efficient help in this matter.

I am writing a letter to Rev. Phillips Brooks for your endorsement if it meets your approval. It is sometimes difficult to know just what to say to him. If I misstate any facts incorrectly please correct them, or if some other kind of a letter would improve the purpose better, be kind enough to advise me. If it is all right, please return it to me with Dr. Brook's address, as I do not know it. I have copied Mr. Chapman's letters for him.

Sincerely your friend,

Mrs. Louisa M. Lee.

On second thought I send you herewith one, copied and all, so that if you think well of it, you may send letter and copies of letters to Dr. Brooks that they may reach him before Sunday. What do you think best about it?

Louisa M. Lee.

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182 Penn St., Brooklyn, New York,
April 5, 1869.

Rev. Dr. S. Jackson:

I wrote you while ago about my son Herbert M. Taylor, a lawyer and former sheriff of this County, but if my memory is not at fault, I gave you no references, which you need. Not having heard from you I conclude you are still in Washington and have taken the liberty of troubling you again.

References for Herbert:

Ex. H. C. White, No. 7 Wall St., N. Y.

H. C. Wilson, Brooklyn, ex-Postmaster of Mr. White in Corn- Brooklyn, who is sheriff of
ness and C. P.
Ulica County, but I can add a great many in New York and in this city from men of both parties knowing to Bert's capability and character.

I would like him to go to the new Territory of Oklahoma if same be organized. I think the President would be fully satisfied with him, and I would write the church there in some of the schools my children.

Yours truly, A. M. Taylor.

Spokane, Wn., April 6, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

In the hope that these lines may yet find you in Carlisle, I beg to ask you what in your opinion the prospects are for our Senating government aid for our Alaska schools. We are anxious to keep hostile Indians from the Territory and have received letters from both our Siwash Christians asking help of the general kind.

Rev. Gilbert is very much encouraged in the work both of the school and of the proclamation of the Gospel. In reference to the school especially, he looks thereby he will be justified in materially extending the work and whether he can reckon upon Government support. The prospects are bright. But in future the increased expense. If you have seen the recent numbers of the "Morning" (which is sent to you regularly) you will have read what he writes about sale subject. By the sixteen Ft. Funk, Rev. L. Schweinfurt expects to sail from his Protestant for Europe and Miss C. Bellamy will sail with him for Berlin. He is anticipated for Mrs. Gilbert those monies as are gathered in hours is rapidly filling. So this interest and because it will not do to let Miss Bellamy go alone to Berlin, the wife of Rev. T. Bellamy has most nobly volunteered to accompany Miss Bellamy and remain for the coming Winter at Berlin in order to assist the Missionaries in their school and other works. This is an illustrious sacrifice both on the part of the Bishop and his wife, but the circumstances of the case are such, that we cannot but rejoice at the devotion of Mrs. Bellamy.

I should be very glad to receive a few lines from you

and any information you could give me as regards the prospects for future Government aid will very much oblige.
Very sincerely your Brother in Christ,
Rept. de Lehmlein.

Washington, D. C., April 6, 1892.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Sir:
Your kind letter came today and I heartily thank you for the endorsement of mine which accompanied it. The letters will be sent at once. The copy of the paper you desire will probably be sent to you from New York. I send no other and wrote Miss Emery to send you that number if it is available. I received a letter from her this morning saying that Mr. Chapman will be there this coming year. This seems very sad, does it not? It will, however, help us to sympathize with him and pray for him the more.
Miss Emery intends visiting you this the middle August until next year. If I am not mistaken, Dr. Jackson, I miss you from my hours the greatest joy and motives in your coming work for the year. May our Heavenly Father be with us, guide and direct, in our efforts for the work in Alaska. and I pray safely say, I hope, that it is the wish and prayer of every worker in our Association.
Sincerely your friend.
Mrs. Sheldon Jackson.
1327 C St., N. W.

Juneau, Alaska, April 7, 1892.

Dear Sheldon:
Mr. L. Shaw of Sitka, Alaska, is a candidate for Governor of Alaska. Though late in making announcement the term is to a site caused by several candidates presented among whom is W. F. Reed and Governor— trying to secure the endorsement of the people here for Mr. Shaw. The Democratic party principally interested in this movement, and the parties principally interested in being a "rebel". Mr. Reed, was at all times, private himself as being a "rebel". is the largest among them. It seems that party, the very mistook to endorse them. After a second thought, came to the conclusion that it would be better to put forward a local man, than to endorse one not a citizen or resident of Alaska: so we told they should name C. H. Young, of Juneau, for the place. I do not think that Mr. Young is serious in the matter, but looks upon it as a huge joke. At any rate the movement is in opposition to Dr. Brady, and all because he belongs to and supports the Church.
I trust that the affair will not lessen Dr. Brady's esteem, since Mr. Brady is held in esteem by the solid ele-

ment of the District.

A petition in behalf for Col. French for Marshal, was circulated and received a general endorsement, not knowing of any candidate out, for the office. Also signed it.

Did you make application for me for District Attorney's office, in case Mr. Grant's removal was been decided upon? If so, remains anything more to be done by myself? If it is not possible to secure the District Attorney's office so that I can settle at Sitka, then we decided to leave the District and settle in some city, where we can regularly attend church. My wife and I are growing very weary of these wild frontier localities, and our parents urged from us the promise to leave Juneau and settle down where there are churches. Judge Keetly told me that he was utterly disgusted with the country. Something must have struck his unreasoned intellect unawares thought of settling down at Spokane Falls. Bros. Reid please to be remembered.

I am with great respect,

Yours, etc.,

J. G. Brady.

Juneau, Alaska, April 7, 1883.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:

I learn from my brother that Dr. Marsh has poor health, and on that account could be ill adjustable. Yet.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Kelly.

Washington, D. C., April 7, 1883.

Dear Doctor:

I am very much obliged for the picture of the Alaska girls, now at school at Carlisle, Penn.

Please give me the parentage of each of them. Flora Campbell, Minnie Stetler, Blanche Lewis, Florence Wells and Olga Hilton. Flora and Florence, I think are white, Minnie Stetler and Blanche Lewis are mixed, while Olga Hilton is a Russian half breed.

Please confirm my opinion as I wish to make a memorandum of the party.

We are having a very busy fall of work this morning.

Yours respectfully,

T.H.Tongue.

Commissioner of Education.

Rev. Dr. Jackson.

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411 N. 2nd St., Harrisburg, April 8, 1883.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Carlisle,
Pa.

Dear Sir:
I learned of your presence in Carlisle from a letter from Mrs. Daggett several weeks since. Do you expect to be there in May?
The Annual meeting of the Executive Board W. H. M. S., of the Gen. Presb. Conference, M. E. Church, will be held in May. We are quite desirous to secure you for a talk on Alaska, but I fear he will be too late, as Mrs. Daggett said you did not expect to remain much longer. We wished to arrange for a meeting earlier but there was so much in the way, that we did not think it advisable.
If you are still in Carlisle, will you please advise me.

Yours in the work.
Mrs. A. W. Black.

Kimsua, Alaska, April 8, 1882.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:
Dear Brother:
In reply to yours of February 9th, I would say that I hold two services on Sabbath, one of which may very properly be called a Sabbath School. The number of pupils might be put at 30--though there do not all attend regularly. Besides these, there are a number who vote "semi-occasionally" whom I have not enumerated. I am sorry to announce in connection with attending church these people again though they have not resumed the pilon only did last year. Hoge's health is not very good. He is suffering from catarrh. On his account especially, I am desirous to have this plan as much in possession. I think a change would be a great benefit to him. I think it best that he should go in force for the present, and have conclusion to make no arrangements for the future till I have seen my friends. I am anxious to visit Sitka before leaving Alaska if circumstances will permit. Hoge joins me in kindest regards.

Yours in Christ.
S. H. Corrin.

Sitka, Alaska, April 9, 1882.

My dear Dr. Jackson:
Yours from Boston, March 28th on hand. I thank you for all that you have done in my behalf. The President will surely be aware of the fact that Christian people are interested in Alaska. I should like to know the result soon but will find no fault with the President if I do not secure it.

I send you Mr. Reid's letter to me. I should like to see him in the District Attorney's office. It may be possible that the President will make no removals soon and that Reid can put his case in shape to secure the place by the time that Grant has to go. Judge Huntley I hear is very bitter towards you and will not sit in the Second Board with you on account of an article in Hall and Mr. for which he blames you. The engine and boiler for our new mill are here and the planer and the rest will arrive on Saturn. So we can give you lumber.

Sincerely yours,
John G. Reid.

Juneau, Alaska, April 8, 1883.

Dear Brothers:

I reply to yours of Feb. 8 and 26. In our mineral is I could not fill all the blanks. We do not have regular classes so number of teachers and other blanks were not filled except the entire community schools. We do say same as in answer to.

I send by this mail to Judge Dunning an Original, vouchers for fuel, also for rent for last year. I have made the bills as small as I thought just. As I have furnished building for school all the time. It seems I am entitled to rent for all the years and still the Board owes me for the rent. What say you?

Fraternally J. Lemuel Gould.

Washington, D. C., April 9, 1883.

William A. Kelly,
Training Ship,
Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of March 14th is received. I am sorry have call to advise concerning Mr. Ryan's affair. I am too far away to know all the circumstances.

On general principles, I have two thoughts.

1st. As a rule it is much cheaper to buy a second hand outfit than a new one.

2nd. As the country is buying out an establishment you do not always get things as you would like them.

3rd. I am informed (I do not know) that the press and outfit at Sitka have never been paid for in Portland, and consequently the original owners have the first lien upon it. I am afraid we might have to pay for it twice or stand an expensive lawsuit which would be even worse.

4th I have had sufficient experience with journalism to

know that you could not, under the circumstances, make an eight page semi-monthly pay.

The editing would take more time than you would be willing to give it, as well as sadden much money.

If I had not heard of your project I had made arrangements to procure press and outfit and bring with me in June. Unless I hear from you that you have decided it is best not to attempt doing anything with the outfit of the Alaskan, I will not purchase until I see you.

However, I will make all my arrangements so that I can order press and type etc., by mail after I see you.

If Mr. Wyer is a suitable man for discipline, perhaps Lippard could consolidate him, and then he could give in addition to his outdoor work the very slight of the printing of a Monthly paper the size of the "Indian Helper" as "Morning Star" of the Carlisle School.

You can put your this together in the school and select a suitable name for the paper. For I have not found as yet the outfit.

If the "Alaskan" dies out, how would you like that name? "Lotus Eos" I cannot in spite two of the subjects this summer for the boys. Please find out for me. Inform: saying that you want it for, the price of Fish of good quality--rough dressed, finished and ready etc., and write me--Care of Wadhams & Kilcott, Portland, Oregon. If you or any of the teachers wish me to make any purchases for you in Portland please write me.

I expect to be there from the 5th to 10th of June--leaving on the steamer about the 10th.

On the 4th of last December I purchased for you 4000 feet of pickerie and shipped them by the Bee. They were blundered and left them at Killisnoo.

I have now ordered of Brown, Shattuck & Price, Lumber dealers, Seattle, 4000 feet more of 1x12 lath, 12 feet long to be consigned to you and sent by the Bee, provided she can deliver them before the middle of June et Sitka. Every time the Bee comes in please enquire for them.

I hope you will give the Alaskan Board at New York no peace, until they give you permission to go forward and paint the buildings, roof and all --: Also complete them inside.

Write me fully your wants and I will do my best to cooperate with you.

I wish you would find time to drop into Miss Powell and Miss Porter's sometime when I am in until I come.

The Governor has complained here that they have no superintendence.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson.

60 N. Franklin St., Titusville, Pa.,
April 8, 1882.

Dear Dr. Jackson:
Would you be near enough Pennsylvania to attend our Synod Meeting (Women's) the last week of October, 1882.
I fear not from that your sister writes me--but I venture to ask you.
You can reply at your convenience. I plan in some of your journeyings I might see you in Titusville.
Very truly yours.
Kate F. Drake.

Boston, Mass., April 8, 1882.

My dear Mrs. Pagnell:
I have just learned that you were kindly interested yourself in the matter of obtaining the position of U. S. Commissioner of Education for my friend.
If I can be of any assistance I would gladly be. I can meet you Thursday at Wright's from [illegible] A. M. or from 1 to 3 P. M. I [illegible] Friday and Saturday.
Very truly yours.
L. Bernheimer, Jr.

April 8, 1882.

Dear Dr. Jackson:
Will you please call to see me on Monday, the 14th., at 2 o'clock.
Yours truly.
Mrs. Sharpe.

April 10, 1882.

Mrs. Sheppard encloses $20 towards the publication and distribution of the "North River."

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23 Fifth Avenue, New York, April 12, 1882.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Sir:
When your letter was received. Mrs. Finks was absent and hence unable to telegraph you.
She asks me to address you at Carlisle, hoping that the letter may overtake you while stopping in Minnesota.
Miss Ashby has been accepted and Mr. Eaton has just procured her railroad permits.
I remain, Sincerely yours, Helen M. Burnett.

Washington, D. C., April 13, 1899.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:

Dear Sir:

Among the American tourists to Sitka this summer, there may be some members of the Episcopal church. If any such come to your notice--people who might become interested in Alaska and in that way, in our lonely missionary on the Yukon--will you not advise me whether or not I might put our work before them?

Also, if you think Mrs. Leland Stanford, who goes to Alaska this spring and who is an earnest Christian, would be likely to aid me a little (she has so many additional), will you not ask if you can open the way for me in her interest? I think she will call on you when there. If she does not get interested in our work, I do trust she may in the Sitka Mission, she could help so much.

Probably there will be no time to get an answer to this, so I leave these suggestions to your judgment, whether or not they will be of service.

I know of [illegible] being sent from Washington to New York in behalf of Dr. Chapman. Perhaps there has been more. It seems little but I hope it will do better work yet.

Nothing positively has been heard from Dorcas, but there is still time.

Please send [illegible]'s subscription to the "North Star" for our little "Circle" to my address.

Sincerely your friend,

Mrs. Louise H. Lee,
1827 C St., N. E.

Have sent the money in a little box.

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420 Hicks St., Brooklyn, April 15, 1899.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I have just received a letter from my brother Edgar who is living in Cleveland, Ohio. He asks me for your address --and also whether you will be passing through or near Cleveland, who [illegible] his wife, are hoping to visit Alaska this summer. Prof. Reid is geologist, or mineral[illegible] of some sort, and goes to Alaska for purposes connected with his studies He would like very much the pleasure of an introduction to you, and my brother and his wife have the honor of having you as their guest, should you be in Cleveland--then they would they would invite Prof. Reid to meet you.

My note requires no acknowledgment (I know your time is crowded) Should you be passing through Cleveland, will you kindly communicate with my brother at the following address: E. W. Haines, C/o Messrs. Kent & Seibels, Cleveland, Ohio. I hope at least that Prof. Reid may have the pleasure of meeting you at Sitka, and I am sure you will find him a man well

North knowing.

With best wishes, I am,

Very respectfully and sincerely yours,

Lilian M. Haines.

Mrs. Winks tells me there is small chance of your stopping anywhere this side of Minneapolis.

Wallingford, Conn., April 17, 1882.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

My Dear Brother:

At a meeting of the Board held April 2nd, 1882, it was voted unanimously to employ a teacher for Wood's Island, Alaska, at a salary of $600 and traveling expenses. Will you secure a suitable person, a consecrated Christian woman. I would like to correspond with her before she takes the place. We would like to have the traveling expenses as light as possible. If one could be secured as you spoke of in your conversation with the Indians in California the traveling expenses would be lighter. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Mary C. Reynolds.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 18, 1882.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I greatly regret that I must miss meeting and hearing you. In my absence, Bro. Darrell will be here for both. Our prayers are with you in your good work at the North. The Lord richly bless you.

In the fellowship of the Gospel,

Yours,

David Jas. Darrell.

Boston, April 18, 1882.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I am sorry not to have had answers to several questions in former letters before you leave. I will enquire only one or two. Do you know any Unitarians in Cal., who are reliable--who? Have you a plan for me of your house that would be what Ungo needs? And if it is a reasonable thing.

I also asked you to tell Bro. Baker that you did Bro. Tuck about arrangements he could make about salary. I gave no attention to it as it was not a part of my business and at that time I expected you to meet Baker. He says he asked you questions and received no answer. Please look up his letter and reply a second time if you have once.

Now you said we must provide school room. This is additional and unusual. Is it not? But I want the teacher

and must have him, even if we do have this additional for the present. Of course, it would only be for this year unless we had annuities next year. But the school requisites all of them of course Government supplies in both places. I don't know what the man meant by saying to Brother Carr that the school house was theirs not Government, of course they would let it be used by Government--unless the Greeks or Jesuits get in there first. It is to my mind fearful that our Government should have ordered its officials to extend all courtesies possible to the great Mogul churchmen from Russia. Then Swineford's Report frightens me out of my senses. Here is a late note which you may have seen it came from a daily. "The father general of the Jesuits has sent two additional priests to Alaska to help the Jesuit missionaries already engaged there in spreading christianity among the native tribes of that vast territory."

I want our men there to hold their places even if they have to stand until a home is made. But, Dr. Jackson, are you sure that these Greek Church folks will not, like the Jesuits, forbid every child to attend our Government school? I do not so much fear at Unga on account of the white men there, but if the Greeks are as loyal to their church as Jesuits the wives of these will cling to Priest instead of husband. There is this I want you to do. If either of these men should fail may not Mr. Carr go back You know he holds himself in readiness. Will you not send word as before "Can if one fails." I have written them both to write you and pledge themselves sure. I don't much blame them as it is like tooth-pulling. Waited so long lost courage Mr. Tuck nor Mrs. Baker have lost. Can I nominate them if either one "backs out" (?) I do not think they will but in case one couple should, can Mr. Carr go? I'd rather have him without a wife than some couples. (I am hoping only good from your new Governor, inasmuch as he is a Vermonter!) Mr. Tuck wrote me he was so determined to go to Alaska that he would go without his wife if she would not go-- I held the place from Catholics--her friends have frightened her during this long delay--I replied if we must have a single man I preferred Mr. Carr, but that there was no chance in honor for Mrs. T. to decline now. If she did not want our work ruined she must go. I have answer from her yielding. Mr. Baker has a sprain which prevents him from writing, but his wife says,-- Mr. Baker wants I should write you they "fully intend to go." I suppose that means (D. V.).

However it is best for you to leave the location to us. One to each place and Carr to Unga if Baker fails. I have frankly told each the reasons why Tuck should go to Unga-- where he wants to-- and why Baker to the other. He is a minister, M. D. and experienced teacher. If I rightly understand a graduate from each Department. There is imperative

need for the first two qualifications as for the latter I cannot feel it right for another family to go there without more or less knowledge of medicine. So that if Mrs. Tuck does not go cheerfully I'd rather Mr. S. should go to Unalaska and Carr to his old place. I sometimes think if possible that this would be the best so that in case those Greek dignitaries have got there already or should before a stranger could have time to win them Brother Carr could hold them. Will you leave it this way?

I hope for a favor from you there at Seattle. You will remember that Brother Carr said a Captain Comeny at Seattle told him a vessel was building at (he thinks) Tacoma for Western Alaska and asked about taking him out and others. He also said he would write him and send him my letter to (Bro. Carr) him in regard to shipment etc. I have received nothing from either.

If you can see this man and if he can take out our houses and families let him telegraph me so I need fire no more shot at Cal. If you think him a reliable man will you learn where he is going and what he would charge for passenger and freight including houses per ton. A small house for Unga and a large one to Una. Also if his vessel is large enough to take all this. It seems it was some time ago he talked with Carr and he may be even gone before this. Maybe others will lease for W. A. if this is gone which could take our things. Can you spare time to do this much for us? I had expected Mrs. Bishop Fowler or her husband to attend to this in Cal., but he is gone and his wife with him and I can learn of no one there to do this. Please do not forget to instruct both these men as to school requisites. We can only take one of our rooms for school--the requisites all must be provided by you.

I do not know how it is going to turn as to Dr. Dorchester, but do you know--almost-that if we had only thought of it earlier he surely would have gone in. It may be too late as some have said "Why didn't you think of this before I'd rather have him than any other man in the country, but we have pledged to another." Some partially . Our noble Sr. Senator Dawes among them. He is (or has) going to write to see if will let him off! Please don't forget to let me know frankly, and to me only if desired, what you think of Col. Clark, Dawson's assistant for this place-- Commissioner. Persons high up at Washington have asked that same question. Why didn't you think of this before? I don't know why others didn't-- but I do know that so soon as the thought was given me I put it upon paper and sent it quick! to three persons only. Never thinking of doing more, but the responses were such as to lead me to ask Doctor's permission to send petition. They are all absent now West as well as East. You will have no from him. There are numerous other good and able

men I hear standing close up but I hope for the Doctor nevertheless and I believe for him too until I know surely he can't have it. Tell me all I need know and please give these men all the time they can have to get ready but assure them they must go when called. Also that if you say so they need not wait for commission from Washington and when they will get it and all about salary, I do not know what it means myself from September to June. Does it mean no salary for three months? If so, how much per month?

Yours sincerely and hopefully,
Mrs. L. H. Daggett.

Boston, Mass., Apr. 22, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson;

I read this day that G. F. Armes has been given "effective" relations to his Conference instead of "supernumerary". I do not know if that means he is coming home from Chili or not. If so, I would rather he would go to Unalaska than any other two couples I know, now that he has taught a year or more and had charge of all the North American and school work at Concepcion, Chili, would this not entitle him to an appointment for Alaska? You will remember he is a graduate from Middletown, Ct. College, may be Mr. Knapp knows him. You will ask why he returns. I do not know that he will do so, but cannot see how he could be restored to effective relations without it. In case he comes, I presume it is because the financial outlook there was made too rosy hued. He must have bread and butter there five times a day instead of three here.) This is one of Bishop Taylor's self supporting schools. Romanists all or nearly so are not so easily won to Protestant schools.

A letter from Mrs. A------, sometime since told me all about the work but said no word of how she was enjoying it, but did say this or to this effect: "Go where I will I can not forget my first love. Who knows but we may get there yet." Meaning Alaska. Now if he could be approved by your Board and then go to Unalaska instead of Tuck in case he or she "backs out" I should be very thankful for him to come home, and for Tuck to find some obstacle. Then if Baker should find another obstacle in his way why then Mr. Carr. After all my hopes deferred and blasted I shall not feel sure of anything until I get it in hand.

I feel about as sure that Dr. Dorchester will get some place where he can serve God and humanity, if not what I wanted him to get, as anything I know of just now? Had he spoken or been spoken for earlier i.e. very early I think there would have been better chance for him than any other except possibly the Civil Service man, I mean man that may ride in on that horse.

I repeat do tell me if this man Clark would please you

or is he tinged with the Dawsonage? If it be yea or nay I do want to know and it shall be only mine and my husband's Of course no one can know until announcement is made, but we fear his chance more than any other. I have so many historical sketches or biographies that I may not be quite sure in this but I think Clark is an old class mate of Gen. Noble and that he will have him if he can. Gen. Morgan of R. I. is an old soldier, Major under Harrison E. E. White Supt. Cinn. schools--once State Superintendent, is pressed by strong Ohio men--but he has $5000 now and could have but $3000 at Washington which would look as if he was not fit for the place if he changed. I may be all off the track, but I fear no one but Clark.

I just wish you could see the enthusiasm over the Doctor's name for this place. I don't know how many have said "Why wasn't he thought of before?"

If he were to get into the Indian Department it would not help you would it? I don't mean Commissioner as I hope, is as good and efficient as many men say that he will be retained. Your friend, J. W. Davis, added his name to the Doctor's petition very cheerfully.

Please answer all questions in my former letter and put those men upon the track in regard to salary. After all Baker wanted to know if Government advanced money for their traveling expenses! ! ! !

It isn't lack of brains either but t hey know Mr. Carr was "shipped" by Government and that we talked of helping pay Mrs. Ames passage. When Mrs. A. first talked of going you had made no requirement as to a building. They were to find their own home as did Carr in which case we could do no less than pay his passage. Now we must provide the home (and school room at Una) and one at Unga or let them lie upon the earth, so of course we can do no more. The house rent annually would soon amount to more than the passage so they would be the gainers.

I am a Martha on that 9 months salary business i.e. to know if it is $1200 a year as here, regardless of vacation, or if only 3/4 of that? Dr. Jackson! Don't let that Board put teachers upon such rations as that. It is simply outrageous. I suppose Governor Knapp will be Chairman of your Board as was the animal holding that position before, hereby no Vermont man would begrudge a man A decent remuneration for faithful service rendered in that far away place.

I do hope he is a thorough Christian man as well as moral. Surely the President would have not appointed him if he had not been at least the latter. This slip is from the Boston Globe.

"It is understood that Congressman Lodge, Cogswell and Rockwell have all written home to be nominated for superintendents of their Sunday schools whenever a vacancy occurs, while both Bros. Burden and xxxxx."

I like men who will make it possible for Godless men to talk this way. The torn off piece was equally "cute". But Dr., the Editor of that paper was once a professed Christian Methodist--son of loved, pious M. E. parents and I have been told a minister before he went. Oh, the back sliding for money!

Respectfully,
Mrs. L. H. Bagneth.

Marietta, Ohio, Apr. 25, 1889.

My dear Dr. Jackson;

Your letter was duly received. Before mailing you said that Col. Knapp was appointed Governor. You may not have had a chance to know that he graduated at Middlebury College and is a devout christian man. I have this from a friend who knows him in his Vermont home. He is said to be in all respects a sterling man. Those who know him best believe he the man to do for Alaska what we have been seeking. I hope it may prove the very best possible appointment, that all the good things we have anticipated may come to Alaska and to you and to all others who have labored so hard for its people. I shall try to promote pleasant relations between you and the new Governor. I am glad that you are to have your family with you and hope Mrs. Jackson's health may be improved by the change. Certainly residence there ought to be much more agreeable than when she was there before.

Write me how matters move. I expect to go through Washington this week.

The new administration has done wonderfully well so far. If you stop in Portland you will miss Rev. Dr. Atkinson.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) John Eaton.

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2 West 53rd Street, New York.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Yours of the 16th and 20th received. I regretted not seeing you when you called in March, and should certainly have been in, had I known you were coming.

The photograph of the girl was most welcome and the likeness excellent. Many thanks to you for leaving it for me, also for the good photograph of the buildings. The five girls are coming on in May to attend the annual meetings of Home Missions, and I will be glad to see them again.

Mr. Webb's party have chartered a private boat, I think for their Alaska trip, but I do not yet know what time or date they expect to leave Victoria. I will write Mrs. Webb of your kind offer.

I enclose check for $1500. one thousand towards the

laundry debt, and five hundred for furnishing the Boys' Hospital. I have no choice as to a name--but would suggest simply--"The Sitka Hospital for Boys."

I was very glad to hear of the promised donation for the residence of Medical Missionary and Nurses-- and hope it can soon be begun. Has a new medical missionary yet been appointed? Hoping you and your family have had a safe pleasant journey. With kindest wishes for your welfare,

Very truly yours,
Margaret L. V. Shepard.

Ashland, Ore., Apr. 27, 1885.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson:
My Dear Sir:

Upon my return from Washington last night, I find both of your favors of April 16th, and while thanking you for the kindly tone of your congratulations, which I fully appreciate, I am under the disagreeable necessity of stating that before I left Washington, I had pledged myself to the senatorial friends of another applicant for the Deputyship at Juneau, and while I desire, and will try to merit both the friendship and political support of your friend Myers, due frankness and business forwardness on my part demand a full statement of the case as above.

I hope to have a term of office free from scandal of any kind, and if fair square dealing with all honest man, and prompt prosecution of such as prove themselves dishonest will win favor for me in the eyes of the people of Alaska and the hearts of my many friends in Washington. I will surely secure them both.

In taking charge of this most responsible of all Alaskan offices, I do so with a new set of books--no former accounts, personal or otherwise will appear, but from the day I take the oath of office, until the day I leave it dead or alive, you may rest assured I will do my whole duty, fearing no man.

Remember us kindly to inquiring friends and oblige.

Sincerely yours,
Mr. and Mrs. Fracht.

Field Secretary's Office,
April 29, 1885.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Brother:

I hope that you as our Vice President for Alaska, or some of your assistants may be able to circulate a petition among suitable persons in Alaska for the National Sunday Rest Law which applied specially to the territories.

It would be a pity not to have Alaska represented in the roll of petitions.

Yours for the Sabbath,
Wilbur F. Crafts.

Philadelphia, April 30, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Sir: for native church at Sitka, Alaska
The plans were duly received, and I have had a bill of quantities prepared which I believe will answer your purpose. I send you blue prints of the drawings and should you want additional copies will make them for you at any time. You will see that I have put what is known as an eye wooden on the roof and made sections, etc., so that I think it can be easily constructed.

My bill is $25., which is quite a little under price, but the difference you may accept as a gift at my hand.

Respectfully,
Isaac Pursell.

Samples of colors. I think "F" for body of work and "T" for trimmings will make a very bright and pretty building. I would also suggest an Indian red for sash etc.

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61 Park Place, Buffalo, N. Y.
May 1, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Sitka, Alaska.

It is my purpose now to "go abroad" again this summer for an indefinite period, and hence I shall not need the North Star for the coming twelve months or more.

I have enjoyed it much and it has been useful in giving hints to my Episcopalian friends, in regard to sending comforts to the Yukon Valley, Missouri. I talk Alaskan missions here, and have, in my pamphlet, "Letters from Alaska" devoted one chapter to your work in Sitka, but know not yet that you have received any substantial benefit from the little that I have done.

Please to present my kind regards to your co-laborers, and believe me,

Yours kindly and truly,
Horace Briggs.

San Francisco, May 3, 1869.

Dear Dr. Jackson:
I was delighted to hear from you and glad that you had met Mr. Sutherland. I know him and think he would not overcharge you.
Thank you for the kind words and can say that I am always glad to do what I can for the good cause as well as to yourself. Always remember that I am always glad to hear from you as well as to note the results from your noble efforts in the far off region that you have chosen for your labors.
Truly Yours,
Chas. W. Wells.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
U. S. Bureau of Education,
Sitka, Alaska.

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53 5th Avenue, New York,
May 7, 1869.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Dr. Jackson:
I hereby enclose the Boards check to your order for fifty ($50) dollars sent to us for the steam laundry at Sitka.
When you need funds for the hospital advise me of the fact and they will be sent.
Very truly yours,
O. D. Eaton,
Treasurer.

Washington, D. C., Census Office,
May 9, 1869.

My dear Sir:
I was very glad to receive your letter of April 30th, and have read it with interest. I shall be glad to consult with you in relation to taking the census of Alaska next fall, when you are in Washington. I do not think anything definite will be done in regard to the matter until that time.
Very respectfully,
Robert P. Porter,
Superintendent of Census.

Hon. Sheldon Jackson,
Territorial Board of Education,
Sitka, Alaska.

Indian Industrial and Training School,
Sitka , Alaska., May 13, 1869.

Dear Dr. Jackson:
I am obliged to request you to act as Superintendent during my absence, and you are hereby empowered with all the authority I have the liberty to exercise.
I have the greatest confidence in your large experience, earnestness and consecration, and am only sorry that I must burden you with this responsibility,
Very respectfully,
W. A. Kelly,
Supt.

Wrangel, Alaska, May 19, 1889.

Rev. Friend:
Mr. Max Frank, the new Collector is here, but I did not have an opportunity to have a talk or to give him your letter introducing myself to him. Mr. Fleming kept him cornered so that I could not get near him. I gave him the letter. I wish that you would see him and request him to send Mrs. Sheakley the privilege of using part of the garden and oblige,
Your Friend,
James Sheakley.
P. S.-- I will be up on the E
In haste.

Juneau, Alaska, May 23, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:
So you are pastor and superintendent as well. You will surely have your hands full, may you have strength and grace for it all. I write this morning to ask if you can take a little more on yourself.
You know that in our Home work we have no papers-- no agreement for any specified time that children shall stay with us. When parents have been anxious that we would keep their children for a certain number of years, I have invariably answered that we could make no such promise. But if the child were good we would keep it while it was good for it to stay, if wilful, disobedient, in spite of teaching and mild discipline, I would send them away.
We have never expelled but one--a boy--. The expressed fear that we would be obliged to send a child back to its people, has in other cases been sufficient to do what other measures failed to do.
We had two girls--Lillie and Ida, each girl at different times left the Home without permission, overcome by the influence of their families, to assist in the gardening last spring. As soon as possible they came back and begged to be taken in again, they assured me that they had only gone to help their

poor mothers and had gone into no evil ways. I could find no evidence that they had done anything worse than leaving the school, and upon their earnest and eagerly given promise never to do so again I took them in, at the same time assuring them--in the presence and for the benefit of the other children-- that if they ever did go away again without permission, it was final, I would not take them again.

Several weeks ago they went away together one morning early told the children they were going home. I followed them not to bring them back, but to keep hold of them, fearing they might go into sinful ways. They were not to be found, their friends were not pleasant towards me and professed to know nothing about the girls, but I felt perfectly sure that they had hidden them. Soon after this, however, they came to church, and I have had them both in the house--have tried to make them feel that they were dear to me, though they had done wrong, and that I was most anxious to help them to be good outside of the Home.

Lillie was baptised last summer and has shown real effort toward self-government for Christ's sake. She is a real good worker, energetic and sees ahead. Ida is prettier, very quiet and well behaved, but lazy about work. We have never known either girl to go into evil outside of the School and in the Home they have been saddest. I have taken pains to discover if they have been different since leaving the Home this time and have no proof that they have. This morning they have come together with becoming humility to be taken into the Home again, I reminded them of my strong words given them before and that it was impossible for me to take them back. After impressing this on their minds, I offered to write to you a plain and truthful statement of their case and ask if they could be received into the Sitka school. They gladly assented to this, although none have been willing to go heretofore. So now they await anxiously your reply. I think it very doubtful about their parents giving their consent--but all the more these girls need protection. One of the worst young Indians in the country is after Lillie and she will have difficulty in eluding him--her mother would willingly , I believe, sell her at the first opportunity. Ida had a young brother in the Sitka school who they say, was dismissed for tearing up his school book. He was about 11 years old I think and died a short time ago here in the Auk village. Ida came for Mr. Willard and the time was set for the funeral when we learned that the Catholics had taken charge of it as the boy had a Russian cross.

The Catholics do nothing for the natives and make no effort to get them into their church or schook until after we have made them worth having-- they do try to get our school children after they have learned to read and speak English. Unless we can do something more for these girls they must either go to town--bad, or to Catholicism, which means the

same and more. They have both matured during the past year, and I call them 15 years of age. If you will kindly write at once and advise me what to do, I shall be greatly relieved. I made them understand that if they do go, it must be for three years.

I will be gratified if you will kindly show this letter to Miss Kelsy also--as I am much pressed for time to write-- and give her my love, the latter to Mrs. J-- and your daughter too.

Mr. Johannson leaves today by schooner Nellie Martin for Yakatat. We have enjoyed his work with us very much. I persuaded him yesterday to go to Dr. Bentz and have his teeth fixed--he has done so, giving Dr. Bentz his first business on the very first morning after his chair was ready--$80 for the first six hours work. His charges must be higher than Dr. McAplines.

With most cordial regards, but in haste,

Carrie M. Willard.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Sir:

If it does not interfere too much with your numerous duties at the Mission on Sabbath, we would like very much if you would preach and conduct religious exercise for the whites on Sabbath afternoon at the Reading Room down town.

John G. Brady,
Mrs. W. M. Grant.
Mrs. R. M. Baker,
Mrs. John G Brady,
Cassia Patton,
Jas. Dickson,
R. W. Beasley,
William Millmoy,
Mrs. T. M. Vanderbilt,
Mrs. G. T. Emmonds,
H. C. Mills,
L. M. Mills,
M. C. Parkle.

Hydah Mission, Juneau, Alaska,
June 3, 1889.

Dear Bro:

We were disappointed that you did not get to our place. If we were long in waiting for wife and son we were glad they got a view of new places, and thankful for your kindness to them. In the matter of totems I have not quite accomplished my desires. Mr. McL-- says he has just failed to purchase 3 for $100. I have not offered money, I hope in time to be able to send something to the Sitka Museum.

As to Presbytery I cannot see my way clear to get away from the Mission. I had a hope last year that there might be an opening for an outing this year, but I am still in a condition to sympathize with the galley slave and the Israelites when they were gathering stubble to make brick. This leaves us all in good health.

Wife and son join me in kindly regards to you and yours. With wishes for a prosperous and happy summer,

Respectfully,
J. Loomis Gould.

2106 Spruce St., Phila. June7, 1889

Rev. Dr. Jackson.
Dear Sir

Will you kindly let us know to whom contributions for the girls' home in Alaska can be sent? An article in The Indians' Friend for March, the text of which was taken from the Morning Star, has called out inquiries with reference to the home, and who should be addressed to learn more of the work.

Will you also please tell us where the story of Dr. Duncan's work in Alaska can be had?

Yours very truly,
(Mrs.) Helen R. Foote,
Cor. Sec.
Women's Nat. Ind. Asst.

Grange, Pa., June 20, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon, Jackson,
Dear Sir:

Yours of 23rd and 24th of May received this hour.

The Board granted me somethings but took the Dr. Heming matter under advisement and are to write me here.

I am making a vigorous effort to find carpenter (shoemaker) and other help. I hope to find all the help the Board will grant me, unless it is a wife.

I have not yet received Donald's pay. Advance Alice ten dollars if you can.

I had a good letter from Edward Marsden and one from Peter Simpson.

Address me at New York, as I hope to return that way.

Very truly,
W. A. Kelly.

Copy. Extract from letter of Rev. Wm. Irvin, D. D., Secretary of Board of Home Missions dated June 11th, 1899, to Judge James Sheakley, U. S. Commissioner, Fort Wrangell, Alaska.

x x x Gov. Swineford's attack on Dr. Jackson seemed to us, as some one described it, simply the last kick of a dying mule. Of course it gave some trouble, as there will be some men in Congress good and bad who don't know the facts. x x x Dr. Jackson is unfortunate in somewhat antagonizing people, when a different method might get along more smoothly, but as you say an investigation of facts always brings him out clean and clear as a man who has served righteousness and promoted the well being of humanity. One can forgive almost anything in the way of mistakes of judgment or manner in a man who has shown such devotion and persistence in doing good.

Brookville, Pa., 6--26, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson

Dear Sir:

Col. W. W. Ames, of Brookville, Pa., is a candidate for the judgeship of Alaska. He is a good man, and let us make our best efforts to secure his appointment.

Please read this to Mr. Brady that he may set his friends to work.

Col. Ames will make a strong fight for the position.

I will start for Alaska as soon as I can secure the desired help.

Write me at New York, care of the Board.

Very truly,

W. A. Kelly.

Bethlehem, Pa., June 27, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Brother:

Your esteemed favor of the 6th inst., has been duly received, and I shall mail with these lines copies of Prof. Mahaltze's vocabulary, which I trust will reach you safely.

We have, of course, as yet no tidings from our Mission stations but hope to hear next month of the arrival of the outgoing missionaries at Carmel and Bethel.

I shall be very glad to hear from you as regards the prospect of securing for the current year Government aid for our schools. Has a new governor been appointed for Alaska and is Col. Dawson still Commissioner of Education? I have not been able to learn anything about it. Is there any prospect of your being able to visit any of our Mission stations this season?

With kindest regrads,

Your brother in Christ,

Robert de Schweinitz.

53 Fifth Avenue, New York,
June 28, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Brother:

We have yours of the 6th instant, enclosing a letter from the Rev. W. H. Reid, Caddo, Ind. Ter., and asking about him for Haines? As for his being "a good and faithful mis- missionary", we have nothing to say to the contrary, but you don't want him in Haines and we do not want to send him. There would be no possible advantage in the transfer that would warrant us in the great expense of the journey.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

William Irvin.

Enclosure.

Bethlehem, Conn., June 22, 1889.

Mr. Jackson:

The Missionary Society of Northfield Seminary sends the enclosed check of twenty dollars ($20) to be used by you in your work.

Will you please send the receipt to my address.

Jenny Haugh,
Secretary.

Bellingham, Wash.
July 2, 1889.

Dear Mr. Jackson:-

I am sure you will be sorry to learn of the sad disaster that has overtaken our dear Mill. During mid- night of Thursday last week a fire, caused by the incandes- tion of the night-watchman, swept away the Mill and its out- tents. The calamity is a great blow to us, and we feel it all the more keenly because we had, at great cost, just fin- ished enlarging our machinery, and had two boilers and two engines with all the necessary apparatus for sawing and dress- ing lumber, working successfully.

Our building operation and supplying lumber must, of course, be suspended for the present, and our efforts must be bent on fitting the logs and sawn as quickly as pos- sible for restoring our losses, amounting to about $12000.

Though cast down we are not in despair. We believe that God will overrule even this sad event for our good. The experience such a catastrophy brings may be necessary to people like ours before they can be interested in large indus- tries.

Having, however, no I surance office to fall back

upon, and our private ones even being spent, the out-look to the natural eye, is dismal and painful. But forward is the word so long as God gives us strength. My colleague, Dr. Sinclair is away on a visit to England making it all the more difficult for me to leave, yet I feel I must make the effort, and so, shall, (God willing,) start for Portland by the return Elder to-morrow (for I cannot buy) a new

Yours very faithfully,
T. Nelson.

Middletown, Conn.
July 5, 1889.

Rev. Milton Jaynes.
Nitta, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

In April, I think, or, Russell wrote that you had replied to certain of letters describing one of my final purposes to go to Alaska if the opportunity should present itself. I should have written you before if I had thought the letter would reach you by the middle of May, in time for the meeting of the Board of Education.

Since that time I have been ready to start, waiting only for notice of re-appointment. Why we have not yet had that notice I do not understand. It is now pretty sure that we shall still have the Chilkoot and be included, and there may be some reason that I know not. As I understand from the Alaska Presbyterial we must.

If it should so happen that a school could not be started at Haines before the spring of 1890, I should expect to receive an appointment that would not begin within a year from this time. You would hardly expect us to wait another year in such uncertainty as this. If notice of re-appointment comes in time for us to reach Wrangell this season, I hope it will be accompanied with full directions for the procuring of all necessary supplies for school. Of course, there will be no time for building until next year, but the Alaska Treasurial Company has suitable buildings that can be rented by us until others are built.

Faithfully yours,
John J. Funk.

Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work.
Philadelphia, Pa.
July 3, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Brother:

We sent you six bibles as a special case, in advance of receiving the certificates. We have now received five certificates of Scholars, who have fulfilled the conditions of the offer, which leaves one Bible yet to be accounted for.

We have mailed you a lot of blank certificates and as the Scholars merit the Catechism, you can fill them in and send to us and in receipt of them we will send the Bibles.

They will not have to wait long.

Yours truly,

J. L. Forrester.

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The Board of Home Missions.
of the
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.
24 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

We have yours of June 5th. I congratulate you on Governor Knapp as a Christian, a gentleman and a friend. We note that you say of Mr. Carpenter, Rev. E. T. Forrester. We have written Dunlevie, as you know about getting Sheldon over for their Board of Foreign Missions, as you think about getting to put our three there. It will be hard a place; and if we do, Dr. Winchester, as I understand not well accredited, would very likely be upon the lookout for having the Governor's writing. I will write about Mr.

As to the Sheldon Jackson's Recommendation of $125.00 for 150 pupils; we think it would be decidedly better as they would recommend this, of for 100 pupils. As we get $125 per pupil now, $125 would be quite a large drop. Then if the Government plans to keep the reading room it would be very hard for us to get the figures at $125. increased again.

I should be decidedly in favor and so we all are, of our taking the first offer for the Government-Hill. We have the title, and we have the matter within reach, and I suppose it would be a good transaction for the present, as well as for the future. We shall propose it to the Committee and to the Board as soon as possible.

As to the carpenter; we have a letter from Reed, Kelly saying that he cannot get a good one at less than $150 and I should say that if he is all right and his credentials satisfactory that the best thing the Board could do is to pay it. We note what you say about the shoemaker also. We must have them both.

I am sorry for what you say about Mr. Canning. And while I am not sure yet just what it is best to do, I hope we shall be led before long to the best conclusion. It is per-

fectly true on the one hand that Dr. Fleming was not mani
fo re to Lester Wilson, but it is just as true on the other hand
that if I had been the doctor there, I would have doctored
the mules.

As to the mules; I cannot guarantee you at all that
the Board will send you a pair of horses. If the mules give
out we must send them with some mules.

With kind regards to all at the Station and School,

Very truly yours,

William Irvin.

The Board of Home Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.
July 15, 1904.

Rev. Thelan Jackson, P. P.,
Wills, Alaska.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Upon my return from a little rest I find that Mrs. Shepard has paid to the Treasurer of the Youth's Executive Committee [illegible] on account of the debt of the Stone Institute, for which I have the pleasure of enclosing the Board's check to your order.

Very truly yours,
S. H. Hadley,
Treasurer.

Indian Industrial and Training School.
Wills, Alaska,
July 18, 1904.

Mr. Shelton Jackson,
Dear Friend:-

We have had a very pleasant trip thus far and are now expecting to reach Victoria Tuesday or Wednesday.

About about a half an hour ago I sprained my little finger of the right hand, as it is now quite swollen, you will excuse this cutting. I will, therefore, shorten my letter and only tell you somewhat of how matters are going.

You will have the letter when I tell you that Mr. Burton Atkins came aboard at Sitka and came as far as Juneau where the Ex-Governor Brady came on.

The Marshall at Seward, denounced you in such wholesale terms that his statements were looked upon with a great deal of doubt.

However, he left the impression that you were build-

ing a large house in Washington D. C. and in view of the fact that your salary from the government was only $1600.00 and you went home, Mr Hart, every year you appropriated to your own use the same contribution to you as those handed to you on the day the Elder was there.

I have been asked if you were building a house. I said I was quite sure you were not. Some also have asked if you have objected or did object any research of the sums given you for the school? I have answered that I have you kept strict account of all your business and felt quite sure you reported to the Board. I told all who asked me that they had not the least need to fear that you appropriated such sums to your own use, as I have you have proved yourself besides devoting your time as I know you had done. The Ex-Governor has not been so bitter in his denunciations, more reasonable, and therefore has been more generally criticised. Many questions have been put to me concerning your business affairs that I know nothing of. At Lexington Mr. Hughes made short. He is talking to a crowd nearly all the time. He is very interesting but I suspect any that I enjoy the little suits, depositions, possibly be before concerning other stockholders and their work. He said at the table that he thought eight invalids from the school, two of them died. This was to Mr. Gatewood who he added that he hoped that things were better condition now. By the way the Ex-Governor sits right opposite Mr. Hughes at the table. Mrs. Hughes took to Mr. and I next, as to say the least, to the sort of pin companions.

I have just been talking with Mrs. Leonard she says her husband intends writing to you as soon as he gets up there. I told her to have him do so by all means. She says that they have been told that the boys are not to receive those homes; they are only loaned to them. Of course, I explained all this. Since see Mr. Hughes has been talking to me. I am not talking to gossip but very gladly contradicting whatever I know to be strictly false and settling doubts to rights. Will you please write me just what the appropriation is. I have said that the Governor's statement was an exaggeration. I think I will have you make me out a report of all your actions and have it sworn to when I take another journey. It seems very necessary that everyone should know all about you.

I have just been told that the Ex-Governor says you are; well, I will not trouble you by a recital of that you already know. We are not going through Queen Charlotte Sound and you see that a good reason I am to sit up and write while the noble Elder is quietly sailing.

O yes, I hear the Governor says I have done very satisfactory work. Well, I hope I have not troubled you, for I know you do not care much about these matters.

Well the ship is rolling quite energetically and

I fear I must retire,
Please excuse soon.
Yr Ky Rogers.

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The Board of Home Missions,
of the
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,
23 Fifth Avenue, New York.
July 15, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I am both sad at heart and glad that your letter of June 4th which reached my desk on the 26th, in reference to sundry matters. I reply by this mail important mail.

I have placed $500.00 to your credit in the Merchant's National Bank of this city and herewith enclose my check for $1000.00 all on account of the Bay's hospital.

I hope to write you again in a few days.

Very truly yours,
H. K. Baird.
Treasurer.

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Williamsburg, Mass.
July 15, 1889.

Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Supt. Pres. Missions in Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

Yours dated June 24th, was received a day or two ago.

I am much obliged to you for your favorable mention of me to the Board of Home Missions in New York. I am inclined to look favorably upon the invitation should it reach me.

At least I am at present free to consider a proposition of the sort.

Yours very truly,
W. W. Winchester.

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Punxsutawney, Penn.
July 18, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.
My dear Sir:

I have been traveling almost every day since I reached home. I will leave here for New York,

Monday morning, the 29th instant. From there we will proceed direct to Portland, Oregon and sail for Sitka on the Arcon which leaves Tacoma the 10th of August.

I have at last enlisted a carpenter, (an assistant carpenter) or man of all work and a teacher of sewing. I am still looking for other needed help.

Please remember me kindly to the faithful teachers, also to the boys and girls. My duty will be worth much to the school.

Very truly,
William A. Kelly.

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Boston, Mass.
July 17, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Sir:

It would aid us materially in preparing an authentic, thorough, unique and interesting account of Alaska, for King's Handbook of the United States," if you should choose to be furnished to us recent public documents, official reports, pictures, maps, etc., covering the subjects naturally to be treated. The use of such fresh statistics and descriptions would much enhance the value of the forthcoming work and make it more worthy of its subject.

The handbook is a private enterprise, but the grand scale of its preparation, and the certainty of its very large circulation among the whole people, give it a public character and therefore render it desirable that no effort should be omitted to adequately and accurately show forth the traits of Alaska, as of all other parts of the Republic.

Yours truly,
Moses Kimball,
President.

P. S. We should like very much a picture of the buildings used for the territorial officers, a report of your Industrial Training School and (if you can send it) something about Metlakatyla.

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South Evanston, Ills.,
July 22, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

This will introduce my dear friend and brother Dr. George W. Hotchkiss of this place. You have heard of him before, and it is only necessary for me to say now that this is the man. Do with him as you would with,

Yours fraternally,
William Haven.

South Evanston, Ills.
July 22, 1889.

Dear Mr. Jackson:-

When I last saw you it was in Mr. Billings', the Board of Publication Room, Chicago some two years ago. You may remember Mr. T. H. Gill and I were together.

We jokingly spoke about our paying you a visit and you assured us a warm welcome in your cold climate. I had the pleasure of meeting you a good many years before in Chicago, New York, where you resided for Mrs. Hamilton and Tully and where at that time I was pastor of the Congregational Church.

My reason for reminding you of our meetings and our past conversation is to pave the way for a letter of introduction which I have taken the liberty to address to you by the hands of one of my parishioners, Mr. George F. Hatchman, who is about to make a trip over the Canadian Pacific Railroad as far as your place. His business is that of an observer and health seeker.

He is editor of the Lumberman's Journal of Chicago; was Secretary of the Lumbermen's Exchange and the writer of the article "Our Mills," in the Encyclopedia Britannica. He goes on this trip with open eyes and pen in hand. Having informed of Mr. proposed trip I asked him to call upon you. He is a splendid man all through, with his literary and business and through and is one of the most cultured gentlemen in church work.

Of course I cannot put these things in a letter of introduction, I might leave you to conjecture as equal numbers, but I prefer to give you an inkling as to the real character of the man and more than of his mission.

Courtesies shown him will be better than even bread cast upon the waters.

Very cordially yours,
William Smith,
Presbytery of Chicago.

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Hoping that you are enjoying the best of health, we remain,

Yours respectfully,
Troy Laundry Machine Co. Ltd.
(Peck)

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Miss..., be accepted with thanks.

Also that permission to erect a church on the Mission grounds be granted when the money is furnished.

Matters pertaining to the Girl's Refuge were referred and will be the subject for another letter.

Yours truly,

C. E. Bovd.

The Board of Home Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York,
July 6th, 1886.

Rev. William Jenkins, D. D.
Dear Sir:-

Your letter enquiring the Girl's Refuge was presented to the Board at the late meeting. Several questions concerning the purposes of such an institution were raised and information requested. Can you give it, viz.:

1. If such a building should be erected on the mission grounds; would not the Board of Home Missions be liable for all expenses of the institution such as salaries of all employees, boarding, clothing and care of the inmates.

2. If so that would be the extent of the employees and the amount of their salaries. How many inmates would there be in it, and what the cost of living &c. &c., including everything.

3. What would be the influence of such an institution upon the Boys and Girls in our present station.

4. Would not such an institution be naturally a part of the work in connection with the Hospital, and the building placed near it and as far as possible from the regular mission dormitories.

5. Would not the location suggest to it as the diagram be such too many its location?

6. Will the Government grant any aid for such work, if not there would the Board get the money to maintain such a work. Will the people the seem to be anxious to put up the building either make it or give a regular annual sum toward its support.

The diagram of the mission is a great help to us and the thanks of the Board are given to the maker of it.

Yours truly,

C. E. Boyd.

The Board of Home Missions
of the
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Jackson:

In some way there was a failure to report to me $30.00 that came in last April for the steam laundry. I hasten now to enclose a check for this amount to your order. The $100.00 from your mother was forwarded sometime ago, and not long ago I sent you $50.00. This will leave but a small balance due yet and I hope that the balance will soon materialize at these rooms.

When Mr. Kelly was here I recommended he adjusted to hurry back to Sitka, but everything may have detained him. He is looking after a carpenter and various other matters that he expects to take back with him.

In reference to the Brick mill: the Board has resolved to move it to Sitka if the Government values this appropriation which you have recommended, but please do not take any steps toward its removal until you hear from me again. In two or three days I will write you in reference to your request to erect a cabinet; that request was granted, but I am want the papers before me before I send you the official notice.

Yours very truly,
S. D. Dutton,
Treasurer.

Williamsburg, Iowa,
August 4, 1897.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

I believe our father Rev. F. F. Tinkham, wrote yesterday his acceptance of the Sitka Missionary position at Juneau, Alaska, but he died suddenly this morning of apoplexy and leaves the work in so unfortunately unadjusted for other hands to finish. I have written to Dr. , New York.

Very truly yours,
Benjamin F. Tinkham.

The Woman's Home Missionary of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, Alaska Bureau.
Boston, August 4, 1899.

Dr. Jackson.
Dear Sir:-

Your telegram informing me that Mr. Carr had been appointed to Unga was received yesterday. I need not say how glad I am that he can go back nor how sorry I am that your request for appointment of Mr. Tuck reached the Commissioner too late — well into July instead of early June as you thought when you left here. We gave Power of Attorney to a San Francisco man to act for the society in purchase of home, its shipping and erection at Unalaska as soon as we knew if Mr. Tuck could go to Unalaska. The moment the Commissioner's letter was received I telegraphed this man to proceed. Answer, "too late to send building this year, will attend to other matters." Money had been telegraphed to the Post office at Seattle for Mr. Carr for a little home at Unga so no possible delay on our part should prevent these men from having a comfortable as well as our work being begun in a respectable manner. It cannot be thus begun at Unalaska as the best place for home and school room to be had will be one of the Alaska Commercial Company's houses which Dr. McIntyre said we might have. This promise I suppose means if not accepted before Mr. Tuck gets there. He is very kind and will, I am confident do him best for us and the school. I presume long before this reaches you you will have received the Commissioner's statement of what he has kindly done.

I shall never forget his kindness whether he remains or not. My estimation of him has changed. I can hear from you no matter what I feel led. Please advise us upon all points that will aid us. I greatly fear that without our Home we shall not have so many children as if we had it to begin with. Please bear this in mind in forming your estimate of our expenses for the year.

Yours hastily,
Mrs. L. H. Daggett.

P. S. This is to reach the steamer of the 8th. I am by joining with you for Mrs. Shepherd's girls.

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him, but if you have any doubts about him, I would prefer a ...ney boy. I will leave the matter with you and will send the money by the first of October, as before.

I will send draft to New York, Special, our scholarship in school at Sitka, Dear Dr. Hillis is just as very busy, that I have taken it upon myself to write.

Yours in Christian Service.

Rev. J. I Best.

The Board of Home Missions,
of the
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.
August 6, 1897

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Brother:-

I have just got back and find Dr. Irvin and Mr. Boyd gone. A letter addressed to Mr. Irvin across this matter from Benjamin F. Winchester, Philadelphia, Penn., saying "My father Rev. B. F. Winchester, died suddenly of Apoplexy this morning. I believe he wrote you yesterday stating his intention of engaging in missionary work in Juneau, Alaska."

Yours truly,

E. Tomlin.

New York,
August 12, 1897.

Dear Brother Jackson:-

When will the truth be known about Alaska? You will surely be interested to read the eighth article from the "New York Times" of August 12th. Either the previously reported outrages have been greatly exaggerated, or willfully misrepresented or else the Governmental investigating Committee, have been bribe beyond all doubt, and there should be a counter report to the one they will present, giving the real facts.

Ever truly,

William T. Porter.

No. 6 Prospect Street,
Milford, Vt.,
August 17, 1897.

Dr. Jackson.

Dear Sir:-

I am wanting information on the question

"What has the Government done towards the suppression of Mormonism? Can I obtain it from the Bureau of Education, if not will you kindly tell me where to turn forthe answer? This topic has been given me for an approaching missionary meeting and I would like to give an exhaustive answer.

Yours truly,
Mrs. S. E. Richardson.

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Omaha, Neb.
August 19, 1889.

Rev, Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Brother:-

I want to write the story of Presbyterianism in some of the Western States, and of course I must have some of your experiences to make it true and life like. Would you be willing to give me some data? I would like anecdotes, incidents of your work in Colorado, New Mexico &c. Have you any published addresses or sermons or pamphlets giving the above facts and incidents? Or would you be willing to dictate something to an amanuensis, whose charges I will cheerfully pay?

Yours cordially,
Wm. F. Warren,

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that letter. When it was written I had every reason to believe that such occurrences were common in this place and I still believe so." When he had asked and heard all that he cared to on that subject and was about to leave, I requested a few moments in which to present some facts which were continually coming up in our work calling for new and better laws in Alaska. I was listened to with kindest attention and requested to put what I had to say in writing for the use of the Committee, giving also some incidents which would show the need of such laws as I asked for. Having done this I thought be interested in seeing it, so this explains the paper accompanying this note. Please return it to me asap. Hope you are finding some rest now. Much love to your wife and daughter.

With kind regards.

Carrie M. Willard.

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Juneau, Alaska.
September 2nd, 1889.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter was received per steamer Ancon. I mentioned the matter of $1000.00, to be contributed by the people of Juneau, to go to the support of the minister, should one be sent here.

They all agreed that it would make difficult to furnish the amount, providing the minister sent here would be competent to draw the people to him. You know that heretofore no minister attracted the attention of the people of Juneau; and this was not caused by a lack of earnestness or sincerity, but by incompetency.

There is, as you know, no Protestant church organization at Juneau, and therefore it is impossible to see or expect the people here to act as a body in this matter; however, there are others, who, like myself, will contribute liberally to support a minister so that we may have regular services here.

I do not think it difficult to secure the $600.00, towards the support of a good minister; we do not ask for the best qualified person, but the people would like to ask for a reasonably competent minister.

Very respectfully,
John G. Kohl.

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San Francisco, Cal.
September 4, 1889.

Dr. Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Brother:-

The St. Paul is to sail tomorrow. As you are aware my appointment for Unga came too late for me to take the Dora, and there was no other way but for me to wait for the St. Paul. Have been here three weeks now. You will see that I will not be able to reach Unga before October 1st or even later. As the delay was not my fault, I ought to have the privilege of teaching the whole term of nine months, will require until July 1st or later. Please let me know whether this favor will be granted.

I will send some teachers.

Truly yours,
John G. Hoare.

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tion of Alaska can be obtained.
Hoping to hear from you on this subject, I remain,
Yours very respectfully,
John Petroff,

1227-1/2 Pacific Street,
San Francisco, Cal'

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Boston, September 5th, 1889.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Brother:-

I have delayed writing to you so as to be able to say. "They are on their way." I can now say so to the same extent. I telegraphed you and Dawson that Brother Carr was married. He was just as near to it as he can be now is unless the steamer has actually left its moorings at San Francisco. He expected to be again married but when the father of the lady learned that there was a possibility of his going to Alaska his foot went down that she could not go there. Result: marriage postponed and he goes alone. It may be better, for to my terrible disappointment, Dr. Jackson's appointment came well along in July instead of early in June, as he no doubt thought they would or else he left DBY. It may be as well or not better, that he could not take her and there is probably no place to lay his own head to rest at night. We telegraphed money for him to buy a little cottage at Unga but he could not have had it taken this year even had the lady gone.

He left for San Francisco August 12, and has been there all this time waiting for conveyance. Now he goes via Unalaska, with promise from Alaska Commercial Company, that if they can't get him to Unga this winter they will take him home free! This to me. To him they said if they did not get him to Unga it would not be his fault but theirs! So I guess he will getthere.

Now the question now arises, under the circumstances above stated, it surely should not be considered his fault that the school does not begin at the proper time. Will you not allow him to continue the school until the nine months have expired? At least one month or six weeks late. He paid his board at Seattle a long time waiting to know if he received the appointment from the Board as well as his interest in Unga, and as stated above, has waited weeks at San Francisco for passage. All this time at heavy expense. Col. Dawson told Mr. Tuck he could lengthen out the school at the close of the school year from the facts as given in regard to Mr. Carr. This was nearly 15 months ago and he has been at San Francisco more than two weeks waiting for vessel — St. Paul. If you will do this and so inform the new Commissioner — and me too — as well as Brother Carr as early as possible, I am sure there will be two glad hearts at least. I did not ask this

for Brother Carr as at that time he expected to go by a new vessel from Seattle taking wife and their "belongings" as well as the lumber for his nice little cottage we were to build for them and for which the money as said had been telegraphed. Poor man! Grand man! Vessel did not get finished in season and had no wife to take!!, and yet he goes.

He left itall to be decided in this way, if government saw fit to re-appoint him(he did not really want to go as you may imagine with the sacrifices he must make of money and the good opportunities for christian work at home) he should take that as a proof that God wanted him to go as Col. Harmon telegraphed him of his appointment. Mr. Carr telegraphed me "Have received an appointment and accepted it. Shall go alone." I knew what this meant so he had told me that the father did not want her to go and said if I would find a suitable lady to accompany them who would go, he would pay passage and board one year! How many men would do this to save our money? I wanted them to be married before he left even if she did n't go so she could go out after he had a comfortable home for her to go to, but no.

He wrote me that I had better be looking for a man and wife who would go next year. I do not know if he really meant so or only gave the privilege. If he did shall I do so? Of course you can't expect Mr. Tuck to do what he could have had he had a nice good-looking house and spacial room to go into at once. He will have to live the best he can. A $150.00 Chapel organ is on its way, if not actually there for Mr. Hamilton.

Yours sincerely,
(Mrs.)E. L. Baggett.

P. S. Of course Unalaska will be an out and out government school next year as you promised them years ago. (We have government annuities for 50 Indian children at Unalaska as soon as our home is made large enough.)

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Kodiak, Alaska.
September 10, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Dear Sir:-

I hope you are well. I received your letter about two months ago. I am answering you now. When the steamer Rush, was here the soldiers bought some skins. I heard that the steamer Rush caught some schooners in Bering Sea. When we had vacation we were picking some berries and salting fish for winter to eat. Mr. Tolman went to English Bay and caught a big brown bear. My nephew came to Kodiak this summer from Kenai, he goes to school every day. About a week ago a man got drunk and started in a bidarka from Wood

Island to go to Sapashewi. He upset and drowned. A new priest has come to Kodiak and the old one is going away to Belkoffski. The new one does n't drink any wine or whiskey. Mr. Wilson is going to sawmilling with his sons this fall. I guess they will come back next spring again. My brother was salting fish this summer. An abuta got drunk and fell off from the wharf this morning and got out of the water himself. The St. Paul is expected here soon. The Alaska Commercial Company have a large number of new offices in their ware house this year. They will send them to San Francisco this fall.

Yours very truly.
Alick Maksoff.

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New York,
September 11, 1869.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-
We have written since Andrey Sealion has to return to Sitka, and,(with pridence,) to make another trial of the work.
Yours sincerely.
H. H. Bennett.

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Seattle, Washington Territory,
September 16th, 1869.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Brother:-
I enclose herewith a blank annual statistical report for your Presbytery.
You will perceive that this is intended to be forwarded to Synod's Committee on Narrative before the meeting of Synod. I overlooked it when I sent you a notice of meeting of Synod. A narrative of your Presbytery should be also sent with it to Rev. G. F. Thompson, D. D. Corvallis, Oregon, who is Chairman of Committee on Narrative.
Will you please forward to me at your earliest convenience a correct roll of your Presbytery?
I am but slowly recovering from my injury, and do not more that I shall be able to attend the meeting of Synod.
Yours fraternally.
George F. Whitworth.
Stated Clerk.

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Fort Wrangel, Alaska.
October 4, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Dr. Jackson:-

I send by this mail my report for September, also vouchers filled and signed. Trust my salary for May will come all right.

School opens encouragingly. Most of the children are very young which makes the work more arduous but all the more hopeful. I will have night school for the young men throughout the winter.

The work here generally, seems quite discouraging sometimes. There is no lack of whisky drink and the natives get it all the time. We have little sympathy from those around us, and most are ready to denounce any work for lifting up the natives. Judge Dawson is most admirable, and Mr. and Mrs. McKay faithful and earnest. My husband is my helper in all things.

I am going to speak to you plainly concerning the man Churchill, who sends a long petition, by this boat, to the Porter asking the position of Deputy Marshal for Wrangel. He was Fleming's right hand man in all his work here, and is one of that ring. For the sake of all effort here to put down strife among the natives, for the sake of all Christian effort and I speak especially for the help I need in gathering in the children. We cannot have Churchill, and I do most earnestly ask your influence with Mr. Porter.

I hope you will not misunderstand me, (and I do not much fear it,) when I tell you that my husband sends an application for the position by this mail. If the salary were so large as to make that an object I might fear it; as it is, you can hardly think the money the consideration. We (which means our side) have talked the matter up, and so Mr. Thomas concluded to apply.

Please send blanks for monthly report. I have not one. Have still a few blank vouchers. Can I have Judge Dawson purchase coal oil here?

Did you ever receive a letter from Miss Mary Cooper of Buchhannon, West Virginia, asking a position in Alaska?

I know the family but am not personally acquainted with Miss Mary, but would not hesitate recommending her. Should she write and you have a vacancy I hope you will consider her request.

I write very freely to you, knowing your wisdom will put kindly but firmly aside, any impracticable requests, and feeling that anything worthy will have due consideration.

Friends all well and Mrs Bannan and baby boy doing nicely.

Very sincerely,
Lyda L. Thomas.

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Department of the Interior,
Census Office,
Washington, October 9, 1889.

Dear Sir:-
This office begs to acknowledge with thanks, receipt of your communication of September 11, 1889.
The information you have furnished has been duly noted.

Very respectfully,
Robert L. Porter.
Superintendent of Census.

The General Agent of Education,
Sitka, Alaska.

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On again looking into the matter I cannot ascertain who has blundered , so you may charge me-:

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July	15 "	1000.00	"
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Oct.	10 "	50.00	" enclosed herewith.
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S. D. Mateh, Treas'r Board of Home Missions.

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or when the frost tightens the tent walls. We are in the midst of Canons, most of them from a third to a half of a mile deep. Sometimes the walls rise perpendicularly and neither man nor beast can go up or down; then again the sides are gullied by deep gulches and a way is possible for the sure footed man or animal. You would wonder at the places I climb over, for I must get about this broken region, frequently I must go five or ten miles to reach a point a little over a mile away, all on account of these terrible canons which girt the country to right and left. When I last moved camp I traveled two days to reach six miles, going over forty miles bending and climbing up and down canons. We have nightly serenades from coyotes, but we have more dangerous neighbors, Cougars and Grizzley bears. So far we are safe. The allotment goes on steadily. The Indians are a very good, industrious class of people, living in little valleys at the bottom of canons, or along the rivers, cultivating the patches, but depending mainly upon their stock, which ranges over the uplands.

My affectionate regards to Dr. & Mrs. Austin and cordial greetings to all who remember me. Is Mrs. Jackson with you? If so my love to her, and may God bless and keep you and yours for your noble work.

Sincerely yours,
Alice C. Fletcher.

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Hampton, Va.
October 15, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

Our pamphlet report is not yet out and we sent you 50 copies of the June Southern Workman to-day by mail. We had a large edition, have plenty yet on hand and should be glad to send you more of them if you would like them.

Will you please advise us if you are receiving the Southern Workman regularly and if we have it correctly addressed. We wantyou to have it. Have had very good reports recently of the Arizona Indians, whom you brought here to school years ago. Particularly Wellington, Inez and Antonito.

Yours respectfully,
F. H. Gilman,
Treasurer.

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The Mail and Express,
New York, N. Y., October 16th, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent of Education,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Shepard received your letter of September 24th, 1889, and in accordance with it immediately wrote to the Secretary of the Interior as you desired. I enclose a copy of that letter for your information.

Yours very truly,
Wm. R. Worrall, Secretary.

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The Mail and Express,
New York, N. Y., October 14, 1889.

Hon. John W. Noble,

Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Shepard seems to be very excellent reasons why you could with great propriety and advantage to the public service, grant a leave of absence with transportation to the Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., United States General Agent of Education in Alaska, for the months of December and January. No can do more, probably, than any other man towards thoroughly posting up General Morgan, your new Commissioner of Education, about Alaskan affairs, and be of general assistance to your department before committees of either House of Congress.

An application for his leave has been forwarded to you, I am informed, by the Territorial Board of Education; and there are a number of things in the affairs of Alaska which were done by the former Commissioner of Education, which General Morgan will probably wish to undo, as they are full of mischief.

Since our visit to Alaska in 1887, both Mrs. Shepard and myself have taken a very lively interest in educational matters there, and we think that your favorable action on this application will be of essential advantage to all those schools.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) Elliott F. Shepard.

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Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.
October 16, 1889.

Elliott F. Shepard, Esq.:
"The Mail and Express,"

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 14th instant has been received in regard to Rev. Sheldon Jackson, United States General Agent of Education in Alaska.

General Morgan is not the Commissioner of Education. That position is filled by Dr. Wm. T. Harriss. General Morgan is the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Mr. Harris is the man Mr. Jackson wished to see. Before acting upon his request for leave of absence I have referred it to the Commissioner of Education for his views as to whether it is necessary that this office shall open here. I am greatly guided by my commissioners in such matters.

Yours truly,
John W. Kelley,
Secretary.

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Wrangell, Alaska.
October 18, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Friend:-

William King Learned returned from Sitka on the Elder and says that he will be appointed U. S. Deputy Marshall at this place.

Now I hope that Mr. Porter, the new United States Marshall, will not humiliate us and bring dishonor on himself and the administration by making such an appointment if Mr. Thomas cannot be appointed then give the position to Mr. William Magellagon. Mr. Magillagon is a decent man and a republican and no one can object to him.

You understand the situation in this place. Mr. Lear would be much worse than no officer at all.

Please say to Mr. Kelley that [illegible] is not her name and when they come here I will see them and if the sister wants to go to Sitka and you want her I will send her up.

Very truly yours,
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Kayn Harr,
November 20, 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

My dear Brother:-

One of our gentlemen found the enclosed newspaper extract in a Philadelphia journal, and his interest and indignation were aroused. He asked me whether there was nothing that could be done by Christian people here

at the last, by our members,— in the way of bringing these facts more prominently before the public, or before the authorities at Washington, in order to have steps taken to stop, or at least to check, these terrible outrages. He seemed to think that the first thing to be done was to write to you, to discover whether the facts are greatly exaggerated, — and if not, then to ask your advice as to what, if anything, can be done. Will you give us your counsel in the matter?

Very truly yours,
Wm. F. Miller.

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Sitka, Alaska.
November 22, 1882.

Hon. J. W. Stewart,
House of Representatives,
My dear Sir:-

Permit me to introduce to you the Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., General Agent of Education in Alaska, Superintendent of the Presbyterian Missions, Author of a Book on Alaska, and one who by the force of his own character and the most persistent, energetic work has done most to determine the future civilization of the territory. His knowledge of the country and people will be cheerfully put to your service while he remains in Washington, I have no doubt.

Yours very truly,
Lyman E. Knapp.

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Wrangell, Alaska.
November 20, 1882.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Friend:-

I am sorry on my account to hear that you are going home but am glad on your account. Will we have a meeting of the Board before you go? I hope to have a talk with you on your way down. Please bring me copies of Professor Wright's Muir-Glacier, when you come and some steel pens if you have them. Times are dull about Wrangell and things seem to be retrograding backward. The girl I wrote Mr. Kelley about will not go up until the next boat. Her brother is away and there is no one to whom she can go.

Remember me to your family and all the teachers.

Sincerely yours,
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Sitka, Alaska.
November 10, 1899.

Hon. R. Proctor,
Secretary of War.

My dear Sir:-

Permit me to introduce to you Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., General Agent of Education in Alaska, who is probably as well informed upon all matters pertaining to this territory and her people, as any man living. I have found his presence here this winter not only a source of pleasure to me but very serviceable in many ways.

Yours very truly,
Lyman E. Knapp.

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6 Cherrie Ave.,
Jamaica Plain,
December 1, 1899.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

Thanks for your letter of October 22nd. It could not possibly have reached me in time for our October meeting, because we were obliged to hold it much earlier in the month than we anticipated, in order to secure Gen. Armstrong as speaker. It was none the less welcome, however, & no fail with the members of our Association in such kind words as have not been put to my own use, as I must ask for occasional letters in order to report to them.

Your plan of not furnishing the cottages until a short time before they are to be occupied, is certainly a very wise one. We want only the most worthy young men and women installed in them, and I wish they might feel that we shall take a personal interest in them and shall feel much pleased if they make the best use of the loan and really disappointed if they do not. I do not look forward to any such disappointment, however, for I am quite re con fident your judgement in the matter. We shall want to hear from you again in the spring, when the cottages are finished and assigned.

Not knowing how often the mails go from San Francisco to Sitka, but supposing this will reach you before January 1st, let me wish you a very happy New Year of success in your blessed work.

Very cordially yours,
(Miss) Harriet Ellis.

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C o p y.

Sitka, Alaska.
December 12, 1889.

Hon. John Wanamaker,
Postmaster General.

Sir:-

Since communication forwarded to you through Rev. Dr. Jackson relative to extension of mail facilities in Alaska I have had communication with several parties as to what could be done providing you think it possible to give us these facilities. The best terms I have been able to secure, thus far, is an offer from Louis Sloss & Co., to make an experimental contract to carry mails from Sitka to Unalaska via Yukatat, Port Etches, Kodiak, Unga and Belkofsky, four bi-monthly trips during the part of next season most suitable for ocean travel, (April to November) for $11,200.00 A distance of about 1850 miles each way; and two (2) trips to St. Michaels (850 miles) and return, to connect with two of the trips from Sitka, for $3,000 making a total of $14,000.00. It is possible better rates might be secured but as this offer seemed to me reasonable I did not press the matter further. The elder Mr. Sloss is in Washington, I believe and may have seen you in person.

With the highest regard, I am,

Very truly
Your obedient servant.
James E. Knapp.

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Sitka, Alaska.
December 19, 1889.

Hon. Binger Hermann,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hermann:-

Permit me to introduce to your favorable notice Dr. Sheldon Jackson, of Sitka, Alaska. Dr. Jackson has resided in Alaska for several years and has been instrumental in doing a vast amount of good in the civilization of the Indians. He is a man universally respected and beloved here by all good citizens and his work in Alaska will leave its impress upon the country and become historical. Any courtesy that you may be able to extend to Dr. Jackson in enabling him to advance the interests of this District will be greatly appreciated by all of the residents thereof.

I am, Sir, most respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Orville T. Porter,
U. S. Marshall, Alaska.

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AMERICAN SABBATH UNION,
New York, December 19th, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

I have the pleasure to inform you that you have been elected a Vice-President of the American Sabbath Union for Alaska, and Ex-officio a member of the Executive Committee of that body, for the ensuing year.

Hoping for your acceptance, I remain,

Yours respectfully,
Leighton Williams,
Sec'y. Executive Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
Executive Office,
Sitka, Alaska,
December 20, 1889.

Hon. W. T. Harris,
Commissioner of Education.

Sir:—

As we have no representative, Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., has been requested to take charge of certain matters of great importance before the Departments and Congress, and we hope his leave of absence may extend sufficiently to give him opportunity to look after them.

Very truly your obedient servants,
Lyman E. Knapp,
Orville T. Porter, U. S. Marshall,
C. S. Johnson, U. S. Atty.
John S. Hughes, U.S. Dist. Judge.
Henry B. Hayden, Clk. U.S. District,
James Sheakley, U. S. Comr.

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Sitka, Alaska.
December 30, 1889.

My dear Mr. Jackson:-

I have made up my mind to go east so that I will not blame any if something may happen to me.

The only questions I have are as follows:

What school! Who will pay the expense of the passage? I wish you would please sir, send me of Mr. Reiley the address of the school as soon as you find one. The only thing I need the most is the language, To talk, read and write the language perfectly I could not train my tongue in this school because there is so much broken English spoken to me, more than good english. So I wish to stay among Americans

where I shall hear good English all the time. And I would ru rather go and prepare myself to be a business man because there is nothing my people need so much as men of business who will correspond with Portland and other places.

As to be a minister, I am not going to be a minister but I am doing theoffice of a minister. It is my joy to preache the blessed word to others. I can study the word of God by myself without going to college. I know the Spirit of God himself teaches and reveals the word to those who study it hear and I knee that "the fear of the lord is the beginning of Knowledge," and "It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man."

Please, dear Sir, let me know what do you think. I have told you I have made up my mind to go. I am glad to tell you the Pipe organ in the Museum is repaired. It sounds like a new one.

Thomas Eaton is on his way home on account of his health. Boys all well . Please remember me to Mrs.and Miss Jackson.

I am,

Your sincere boy,
Edward Marsden.

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Sitka, Alaska.
April 3rd. 1890

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

I have written to you some weeks ago concerning my going East. Please, Sir, I wish to know your advice. I cannot help, I think if a school is not found. I have told you I have made up my mind to go. I am well at present.

Hoping to meet you again in safety, I remain, Dear sir,

Your sincere friend,
Edward Marsden.

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Marietta, Ohio.
April 8th, 1889.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

Before you leave, write me how you leave the situation. Did you see the President fully? I wrote him specially of the importance of his seeing you before you returned to Alaska.

I may pass through Washington again before this month closes.

How is your wife? Please remember us to her.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) John Eaton.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
Wash., D.C., November 11, 1889.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:-

I have the honor of your letter of October 16th, which has my careful personal attention and special reference to the Second Assistant Postmaster General, asking report upon the subject. I will endeavor to do whatever is in my power consistent with the public interests, to give your country mail facilities.

I should be glad to see you when you are in Washington.

Yours truly,
John. Wanamaker, Postmaster Gen.

Chicago, February 27, 1890

Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent of Education for Alaska.
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:-

I send you herewith a copy of the Home, School, and Nation, issued under the auspices of the American Society of Patriotic Knowledge, which has the hearty approval of the most eminent educators and patriotic citizens in our country.

The movement is a National one and is entirely free from sectionalism, sectarianism and partisanship of any kind. You will see by a careful perusal of the January number the aims and methods of the Society.

Our National Commissioner of Education, Hon. William T. Harris, LL.D., is in heartiest sympathy with the society and is rendering it all the aid which the office at Washington can furnish.

As there can be no grander object, from an earthly point of view, than to successfully teach lessons of patriotism to the children and youth of our beloved land, I feel very sure of your hearty co-operation with the movement.

May we put your name down with the names of other Superintendents of Public Instruction as a Vice-President of the Society?

We shall be glad to receive any suggestions of any kind that you may feel free to offer for the carrying on in the most effective manner the work of the organization.

It has been placed already on a sure basis and gives every promise of permanency and extended usefulness.

I have the honor to remain.

Very truly yours,
Samuel Fallows,
State Supt. Public
Instruction, Wisconsin.

EXECUTIVE MANSION
Washington, March 25, 1890.

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Sir:-
Your letter of the 22nd inst., asking that I cause the [illegible] words to be speedily printed is received. It will afford me pleasure to [illegible] I have this day asked the Public Printer to expedite the work.

Truly yours,
Benjamin Harrison.

Saint Louis
Washington, March 25, 1890.

My dear Sir:-
I have great pleasure in handing you to express the [illegible] and hope you will soon [illegible] it.
Yours truly,
Francis Wilson.

United States Senate
Washington, D.C., March 25, 1890

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
Care, Bureau of Education,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Sir:-
Your letter of the 22nd inst., asking that I cause the [illegible] words to be speedily printed is received. It will afford me pleasure to [illegible] I have this day asked the Public Printer to expedite the work.

Truly yours,
Charles F. Manderson.

San Francisco, April 10, 1890

Reverend Sheldon Jackson,
[illegible],
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-
I am in receipt of plan for the buildings at Cape Prince of Wales and at Point Barrow, and which I infer is the place you referred to in your letter to be under date of March 17, 1890.
In the correspondence I had with Mr. Wm. G. Lorz, relating

...Point Hope.All my estimates and proposals were based on a smaller house 40 by 20 feet and of a less elaborate character than your plan calls for. Meantime I have placed the plans in my carpenter's hands and will write you again as soon as I have his report.

Very truly yours,
J.H.Knowles.

San Francisco, April 26, 1892

My dear Captain:-

The Episcopal Board of Missions in which I am interested are desirous of establishing a Mission station and U.S.Government school this summer at Point Hope in the Arctic. Captain Knowles of the whaling company has contracted to build the house there and take it in sections or parts to Point Hope and land it there but he cannot promise to erect it.

Captain Healy will be there about the time the house reaches there and is willing to attend to the erection if he is authorized by the Treasury Department or Bureau of Revenue Marine to do so. Can you give him the necessary authority.

The school to be established there will be a contract school, established and partly supported under the auspices of the Bureau of Education of which Doctor Harris is the Commissioner.

Captain Healy will probably be touched in Puget Sound by telegraph at Seattle in case he has left here and explains to himself so very willing to do what he can.

Yours very truly,
Charles H. Stockton.

Captain Shepherd,
Bureau of Revenue Marine,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Captain:

Please do all that circumstances will permit in pushing along the good work above mentioned, and oblige,

J.G.Shepherd.

Captain M.A.Healy,
U.S.S.Bear.

Wrangell, Alaska.
Jan. 8, 1890

My dear Hutchler:-
Washington, D. C.

Allow me to introduce to you Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D. who have been an active missionary in Alaska for twelve years past and who is a particular friend of mine. Anything that you can do for him in the way of having Congress do something to assist the people of this territory will be thankfully acknowledged by all of us in this land of the Midnight Sun. Please make him acquainted with Walsh and any other of our old friends and oblige.

Your friend,
James Sheakley.

Princeton, N. J.
Jan. 17, 1890.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

I have not heard from you in so long a time that I thought I would stir you up. Remembering the Alaskan Society and its earnest desire for mutual improvement I send you by this mail a circular of the liveliest educational movement now on foot in the east, together with my syllabus as a sample

brick, and leave it for you to decide as to hwether any of the plans proposed come into the scope of the Society. We are moving along here in fine order. President Patton is a great success as an organizer and an enthusiast fitted to inspire others to, work and also with a great gift of tact in the management of "the boy". I will send you a copy of our catalogue when it appears. We are reorganized on a new basis. Next fall I want to do some investigations in New Mexico and Arizona, can you give me any pointers? I know this is an old tramping ground of yours and should be much obliged if you could spare the time to give me your ideas as to the best localities for new work.

Please remember me most kindly to all my old friends at Sitka, I have not forgotten them and I read the Alaskan regularly, to gain the little scraps of information I can about them. Please give my best wishes to the Vanderbilts, Dalroff and Prof. and Mrs. Kelly.

Mrs. Libbey joins me in the best wibes of the season to you and yours, and believe me

Yours very truly,

William Libbey, Jr.

Fort Wrangell, Alaska.
Feb. 5, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

My dear Brother:-

We were sorry when we saw in the paper that you were taken sick on your way east. Hope you are well now and that yourself and family arrived safely at your destination.

We are all well and prospering in our field of labor. Mrs. Hackay would not leave home and so I invited a doctor from Juneau, he is a stranger and seems to understands his business although his personal appearance and conduct as a man go against him. Mrs. Hackay was not sick yet, but will soon be. Hope she will get through all right. I wish you could secure a good christian doctor for us at this station. The Board of Home Missions refuses to do anything more for us at present except what has been done. The Board will neither encourage us to build nor promise any aid toward a home here, as it is going to concentrate all its energies in this line at Sitka.

You remember at our last meeting of Presbytery that it was voted Mrs. Hackay was to have a salary of three hundred dollars a year, no word yet from the Board to that effect. Dear Dr. as you are now in the midst of eastern influences, money and high civilization, I wish you would do something for us at Wrangell, as you have done so much already in helping poor missionaries under present circumstances I need a helping hand, I undertook too much in the improvement of the house and mission grounds with the funds I had, or rather with no funds; and so I find myself heavily in debt, about one thousand would make me a

free man. I sent bills to the Board to the amount of five hundred but I doubt it will be paid. Try and get some generous friends to aid me under these circumstances and I will try to sail clear of rocks and shoals in the future. If Mrs. Beckay would get her salary the two of us could pay these debts out of our own income. But the way we have to pay so high for everything we use, I cannot pay them as soon as I would wish.

Enclosed please find a report of our church work since the 1st of April last.

From kind regards from us all, I am

Yours in the bonds of the Gospel, labor and love,

Allen Beaty.

IN WHICH ALL DEFICITS ARE PAID.

AMERICAN TEMPERANCE AND BENEFICIAL LEAGUE,
Office of the Secretary and Commissioners.
Washington, D.C.
Jan. 7th, 1890.

That is to certify that-
Dr. Sheldon Jackson, has been appointed a National delegate to the Fourth Annual Convention of the American Temperance and Industrial League, to be held at Willard's Hotel, Washington, D. C. Feb., 5th, 6th, 7th, inst.

Joseph Thacker,
President.

Chas. S. Hill,
Secretary and Commissioner.
(SEAL).

Washington, D. C.
Feb. 7, 1890.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,
Dear Brother:-

At eleven o'clock this day after I saw you we called on President Harrison and presented the enclosed letter, which was as definite as we could write under the circumstances. He treated us with the utmost courtesy but said, "vague statements and beliefs would not do", that we must have definite extracts from letters of our members or missionaries at Alaska, with names of drinking men who had been appointed. He said he must have these reliable statistics etc to meet the Oregon senators who had nominated Brecht. He said if we could not furnish them in time, if such would come at any time after his confirmation, he would remove him, if he had sufficient cause.

That he wanted good men in those positions and he had been instrumental in getting in a good governor. We did not leave our letter on file, we brought it back as too indefinite and yet we believe our appeal could be remembered and have weight with other testimony in the President's mind. I do not see that Mrs. Wyman's letter could help further now. It too is indefinite. Would be glad to help you.

Sincerely,
Sarah H. La Petra.

Washington, D. C.
Jan. 30th, 1

Mr. President,

We the representatives of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, feeling a deep interest in the welfare of the poor natives of Alaska knowing much of their condition through our missionary Miss Jessie A. Ackerman, who spent many months in their midst organizing Temperance work, and trying to alleviate their suffering, are led to appeal to you in their behalf.

We learn with regret through a member of our organization at Sitka, that the nominee for Collector of Customs at Sitka Mr. Pracht is in full sympathy with the liquor traffic, nearly all his appointees are well known drinking men; the result is that the smuggling and sale of liquors are largely on the increase in the territory, thus creating a deplorable state of affairs.

We present our prayful protest against his confirmation and appeal to you Mr. President as a friend of law and order, and also of these poor and already degraded natives, to withdraw his name, to prevent his confirmation.

Most respectfully submitted,
Mrs. S. H. La Petra., Pres.
Mrs. L. M. Chase, Sec. Cor.

AMERICAN SHIPPING AND Industrial League,
Office of the Secretary and Commissioner.
Washington, D. C.
Feb. 11th, 1

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
of Alaska,
Bureau of Education.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to advise that a Resolution of thanks to you was passed unanimously by the American Shipping and Industrial League for your eloquent and interesting remarks before that body at it's recent Annual Convention held in this city.

I am, my dear sir,
Very respectfully yours,
Chas. S. Hill.
Secretary and Commissioner.

Sitka, Alaska.
Feb. 11, 1890

Rev. S. Jackson, D. D.
Dear Sir:-

Enclosed I sent you clipping from San Francisco paper which Mr. Praeht thinks contains an unveiled for reflection upon him. I assured him I appreciated his efficient action relative to the Sitka whisky smuggling and thought you must have had in mind the acts of the other officers nearer the border, and suggested that most likely the language you used was not accurately reported. I wish you would reply in language such that I may show him your letter if you think best.

Yours very truly,
Lyman E. Knapp.

Sitka, Alaska.
Feb. 18th, 1890.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
My kind Friend:-

I was very sorry to hear from those who had letters from your wife and daughter of your illness in San Francisco. I trust you are all improved in health and are now at the end of your journey.

Things here are progressing in the usual manner, nothing very new or startling. I continue fascinated and interested in my department and feel greatly encouraged in the development of my pupils. Miss Rogers is practicing the "Christian Science" art upon a frozen foot, it does not seem to be an unparalled success, at least in its rapidity. Little Grace died and was buried more than a week ago. Dora Davis is ill with a severe cold, the other sick are about as usual. Wm. Bailey does not improve as far as I am able to judge. The excessive cold weather has interfered to a disagreeable extent in the water supply. The pipes freeze. I think the cold her much harder to beer than at home.

I had a letter from a young lady in Meadville, Miss Jessie Porter, she is very anxious to enter the mission field. I think she is about twenty- two years of age, her parents are wealthy people and stand high socially, I think they are member of the Second Presbyterian Church at Meadville, Pa. Jessie has a fine education and wishes to teach.

She wishes me to write you regarding the matter, she has had no experience in teaching and has had a luxurious home and surroundings, she is bright and pretty and a lady. If you know of an opening you could correspond with her on the subject, her address is 873 Library St. Meadville, Pa.

With many kind wishes for your health and happiness and also your family, I remain

Sincerely your friend,
H. C. DeVore.

House of Representatives.
Washington, D. C.
Feb. 19, 1890

My dear Sir:-

I send you by this mail a copy of a bill I introduced for the purpose of securing national aid to education, which was prepared on the plan proposed by a committee of fifteen prominent educators appointed at a national convention held in Louisville, Ky. in 1883.

I would be glad to have you examine this bill carefully and give me your opinion in regard to it as soon as early a day as possible.

Yours very truly,
J. D. Taylor.

Unalaska, Alaska.
Feb. 24, 1890.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

I am very sorry to find I have never fully answered your kind letter of 23rd Dec. So many cares and societies press upon me when all our people are at home that my letter-writing is apt to get sadly in arrears.

I am reminded of your letter however by the fact that I have our School Reports to send you for the two months, these I have made out and will enclose them herwith. Since sending you my last reports we have experienced unusually severe weather which has somewhat diminished our school attendance and during the last two weeks we have had so much sickness in the village, that I have been obliged to suspend school operations altogether. The epedemic for such it is is, has entered every house and in some instances has prostrated every member of the family at the same time. The sickness has not yet abated but the high winds have ceased and we hope we are now over the worst. For the present I am thankful to say we have had no fatal cases, but I am afraid some few of the weakest will hardly recover.

Amongst them is poor Thomas Eaton.

The severe weather has prevented me too from commencing our Boys Home as I intended. I have had an industrial teacher (carpenter, furniture maker, and boat builder) engaged for the Boys over six weeks and fully hoped ere this to have had our Home in full operation. It is now only a matter of a few days. I hope when I shall have the boys in charge and also commenced in right earnest, to build our Girls Home.

In your last letter you kindly prompted me to write you about two or three matters effecting our progress. The first is our lack of mail service. At present the irregular manner in which we get and dispatch our letters is not only distressing to us, but a serious weight upon our business prospects.

We are now commencing a Salmon Cannery but how we shall be able successfully to keep our work going on, without being able to correspond in due course with our Agents I cannot at present see. We cannot afford however to wait, but must face the losses and drawbacks which will undoubtedly ensue. What is very galling is the fact, that the steamer which brings our freight (now about every month) has our mail matter on board but cannot deliver it to us. Our letters have to be carried to Loring, a Salmon Cannery establishment about 35 miles from here, and with which place we have no means of communication but by canoe. Often enough therefore the letters which have reached our place in due course are not actually to hand till weeks of delay have elapsed!

Another matter in which I trust you may be able to help us is to obtain a settlement of account due our men for seizing two smugglers and their liquor, and for attending to a case of murder over a year ago. This account has been written out three times, it was approved by Judge Dawley and the District Attorney (Mr. Grant) and signed by both of them, and then forwarded through the Marshal to Washington. Our men are constantly coming to me with questions about the matter, and I feel ashamed to think that such good service as they rendered the country under very trying circumstances and at great risk of life should be so ill requited. Over the man who provide food for the prisioners (about three weeks) has not been paid and money advanced for fares of guards who took the prisoners to Sitka has not been refunded.

Next as to Citizenship. I have lately received a letter from our friend Senator Dawes in which this subject is brought forward, and which has led me to write a letter to this W. Strong in Portland our legal advisor and friend. I hope that some Government officer(I have proposed Governor Knapp or the District Attorney) will be appointed or directed to visit our settlement, at a time when our people our at home and have the business of citizenship settled as soon as possible. I lately forwarded a letter to the Board of Education, Sitka enclosing vouches sent me from Washington for approval.

A similar letter, also containing vouches I posted last December, but which has no doubt been delayed as I have as yet no response to it.

With kind regards, believe me
Yours very sincerely,
W. Jensen.

[illegible], Alaska.
Feb. 27, 1900.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Your letter of the 31st Jan. was only to hand yesterday, a specimen of the delay we are now experiencing in mail matters. I also received the draft on the U. S. Treasury to which you allude in your letter. The three vouches you kindly sent me to cover my account as a member of School Board please find here with enclosed and duly signed. Also the "Assembly Company's receipt for my fare to Nome and back on school board business in Jan. 1899. I am very sorry I have overlooked the forwarding of this account in due course, but I kept deferring the matter until I should again visit Nome. Several times last year in obedience to the call of the President of the School Board I had arranged to leave for Nome, but was on each occasion disappointed by the steamer movements. How much I have to expect for services as member of the Board I cannot tell. For though I was appointed in June I have only been twice to Nome on school board business, and I have already received salary fifty dollars for the first quarter ending Sept. 1899 and also the steamer's charge for my passage on the first trip has been refunded me.

I thank you very much for sending me a copy of the bill now before Congress for securing Annette Island for our people. I see it only asks for it as a Reservation which our people are anxious for individual ownership of land they occupy and improve. They greatly object to holding land in common. Perhaps our friend the Hon. [illegible] Pritchett is seeking first to secure the land for the community as a whole and leave it for further legislation action to allot the land in Annette Island.

I wrote you some days ago informing you that I had written to our friend Mr. Strong of Portland, in obedience to the request of Senator Dawes on the subject of land titles, citizenship and municipal authority for our people. I wonder if Gen. Pritchett has ever seen Senator Dawes? I sent the General a copy of our last little Petitchthla from which he would learn the fact that Senator Dawes and others Senators had been here. Throught the treatment we are experiencing in mail matters my letters to Mr. Strong and Senator Dawes are doomed to be a long time on the way. These letters and many others I wrote in the early part of this month are still on hand, as the two last

steamers past Tongas Narrows without picking up the mail.

Having lately decided to commence a Salmon Cannery for our people I am anxious to send one of our men to Portland to purchase the requisite outfit as soon as possible. In order the man might be sure to catch the steamer I sent off a boat with him to reach Tongas Narrows a day or two before the steamer was likely to return. He and his crew left us last Monday and returned on Thursday with the information that the steamer had passed Tongas Narrows in the morning and though he managed to get along side while he kept running he was refused a passage, nor would the officer take the bundle of important letters he was ready to hand up to him. Such disappointment as we are now experiencing in despatching letters is a very serious drawback to business enterprise.

I note what you say about the Commissioner's report for 1888-9 which is just out. I suppose before long I shall be favored with a copy of it and then I will write you with regard to any matter on which I find I have been misrepresented. In the meantime I would say while we feel we have a good work in hand and are doing the best we can we need not fear the adverse criticism of the world. Our duty is to go right on making sure that what we do is pleasing the Lord and all will be such in the end. If we are doing right, those who fight us our fighting on the wrong side and if we are doing wrong we should not spurn to be told of it even by an enemy.

While busy writing this letter the steamer Eliza on her way north arrived with some freight for us, and in my hurry to give all our letters to the purser I find I have by mistake given him the envelope unsealed in which I had enclosed the vouches and with which this letter was to go.

Yours very sincerely,
W. Duncan.

Metlakahtla, Alaska.
Dec. 14, 1889.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

As we have after a long delay managed to get another issue of the Metlakahtla through the press I send you a copy or two, I shall also forward our school reports by this mail, also a letter to you enclosing vouches sent me from Washington, will go by this mail if not too late.

Two boys J. Tarney and A. Carlotn have returned here from Sitka school on what grounds I have not yet ascertained. I see nothing the matter of either of them. Abel's father came to me some few weeks ago, stating that he had learned that Abel was very poorly and he was going to write to the school. He did not show me his letter so of course I cannot say what it contained, but if in it he used my name at all I fear he used it in a wrong way implying the probably that I joined him in request

ing his son's return here. If such was the case I wish to correct his statement as it is not true. These people are very apt in order to conceal their ends to make statements of that kind in order to screen themselves or make their suit more plausible. The truth is that the boys keep on writing to their parents of their being sick and naturally enough the parents get alarmed. When Howard Brenden was here he had quite a task before him to quench the fears of some of the parents who questioned him on the subject. Another mistake the parents are making is in sending the boys money, which some of them I fear can ill spare. I assure the parents that the boys have all necessities provided for, but the letters from the boys are generally begging letters.

I had a long and interesting letter from Judge Kenyon by the last mail. I learn he has now left Sitka and gone home to Kansas. Changes always changes in the changing world

Yours very truly,

W. Jackson.

Sitka, Alaska.
Feb. 22, 1890

Rev. S. Jackson, D. D.

My dear Sir:-

Yours at hand. I send the C. W. Young vouchers duly endorsed, also send Alaska Commercial Co. contracts duly executed. After careful inquiry Judge Dugbee and I came to the conclusion that it would be better to order the patent seats for Douglas Island school house and took the responsibility of doing so. I hope you will approve. The furniture will be on the next steamer. We also directed Mr. Young to build water-closets and coal sheds and told Mrs. Adams to commence school as soon as everything is in readiness.

Am glad to learn of your arrival in Washington and of your recovery. I hope you may be able to do something to help along our much desired legislation and especially to secure the mail to the Yentward. I wish Postmaster General Wanamaker might see his way clear to close the contract in time for this season. I sent him a statement of what Louis Shoss and Co. offered. I hope you will keep us posted as to Alaskan matters.

I showed Collector Ivanoff your postcript saying he was likely to be confirmed and it pleased him very much coming from you.

I am sorry to see newspaper items from papers where Mr. M. W. Bruce stopped on his way to Washington, intimating that he is sent as a delegate to Washington to represent the Republican party and their wishes before Congress. It scarcely sounds well, especially as there is no truth in it, and if there were it would be worse still.

No partisan representation from Alaska, can be safely had before Congress at the present time. I hope Bruce will not allow Senators and Members to think of him as such delegate.

If you have occasion to go to Boston I hope you will call out at Wellesley and see my daughter.

With regards to Mrs. and Miss Jackson in which the rest of the family join, I am

Yours sincerely,
Lyman E. Knapp.

Juneau, Alaska.
Feb. 23, 1890

Sheldon Jackson, Esq.
Washington, D. C.
My dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find vouchers; I have no bill to present, the expense is virtually nothing. Mr. Edwards and I attended to the matter of school building as you desired.

When the Governor was here last month, he and Judge Dubbee inspected the school building in Douglas City, and in my presence expressed themselves as being well pleased with it. I think everything in connection with this matter will be satisfactory.

Mrs. Reid wishes to be remembered.

Respectfully,
J. A. Reid.

Marshfield, Mass.
Feb. 25, 1890

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Bro:-

With many thanks for the help you have given me I send by this mail two books of missionary exercises. The Mission Board meeting may be of interest as so much of it is about Alaska, though I do not say as much about the beginning of mission work there as in my lecture on Alaska. There is nothing denominational about the larger book and I presume other churches would like it, if they knew about it.

Gratefully,
Mrs. E. C. Alger.

Wrangel, Alaska.
Feb. 25, 1890

My Reverend and Dear Friend:-

Your favor of Jan. 21st came to hand Feb. 17th.

We were all very much pleased to learn that you had arrived safely in Washington, D. C. as we had seen in the San Francisco papers that you were lying sick in that city.

I do not think Mr. Chamberlain's influence had anything to do with the matter of my putting my name in the wrong place on these vouchers. He asserts all the lights fixed in this neighborhood himself. I return to you the vouchers with my name in the proper place, please pardon my blunder and also please send me some blank vouchers.

Did you employ anyone to teach the school at Hinsdale? I am glad Mr. Power did not accept the position, since I became acquainted with him I find that he is an old reprobate of the Tom Paine Strike and not fit for any position.

Mr. Gould is here on his way to Utica to spend two weeks there when he expects to go east and be present at the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church at Saratoga. Mr. Wiley has fallen into the same plebeian that Mr. and Mrs. Young did in regard to the farm for Indian children. Judging by results the Utica idea has not been a success in any way but has and will prove to be a millstone around the necks of the missionaries who undertake the exhibit one. Mr. Williams is well and is the last missionary in the place he is a good officers as well. We will try and send a few more young girls up to Tilton Training School in the spring. This winter has been very cold, we let up for three months. I look forward to visiting some place or way to introduce myself to the new Commissioner of Education at Washington, where I received a very kind and pleasant letter from him stating that he and my old friend W. D. Boyer of St. Louis were friends and that he felt that he was not entirely unacquainted with myself, which I take is fortunate for us all. He is undoubtedly a good man and will make a good Commissioner of Education. Please remember me to him.

Mrs. Cheeley wishes to be remembered to yourself and family and thanks you heartily for your kind words of encouragement. Remember me to Mrs. Jackson and daughter. I am

Very truly your friend,
James Cheeley.

Chicago, Ills.
Feb. 16, 1889

Dr. Jackson:-

Thank you for the pamphlets which reached me in due time, containing information in regard to Alaska. When you next come to Chicago It will give us great pleasure to have you call at the "Ontario" corner, corner Ontario & F. State St.

Yours sincerely,
Annie Williams.

Portland, Oregon.
March, 1st, 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.
My dear Sir:-

Acting upon your suggestion made when you called upon us here. I beg to the favor of a line from you in reference to on Alaska. We intend to keep on sale a supply of books suitable for tourists in the Northwest and Alaska. If you can give us also a list of those published by the Soc. of Alaskan Nat. Hist. and Ethnol. and make arrangements for us to get them here on sale. I know that this is asking a great deal of you and I trust you will excuse us as we desire to make better provisions for tourists than heretofore.

We shall be glad to see you on your return to the coast.

Yours truly,
J. K. Gill.

Sitka, Alaska
March 3, 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

Your favor of Feb. 8th I received today and will write you by return steamer. You requested me to send you measurements of the church, which I will do, was just down and measured it, it is 64 feet 6 inches long, 46 feet 10 inches wide and 21 feet 6inches to the square and the roof is one third pitch, you know how the windows in the side are divided.

Everything is moving along as usual. Mr. Kelly had a turn with la Grippe. I had a light touch of it myself. Most of our time this winter was taken up getting wood.

Hoping that this will be satisfactory, I remain

Yours truly,
J. A. Shields.

Sitka, Alaska.
March, 5, 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D.C.
Dear Dr:-

I have not heard from you since you left Alaska. Some of the officals here have asked that Rev. Knapp be ordered east to be in Washington in behalf of Alaska. He appears to me to be more and more a weak man and ever ready to do things for the sake of policy. He has made out the licenses for the saloonkeepers and the bonds but has not sent them.

In this matter I am satisfied that he is not guided by his own sense of the right but is willing to give way to the advise of those who care but little for the morality in the question. He appointed Capt. Turenholt, Haydon and myself to act as commissioners to suggest what should be reserved for military and civil use. So far I have been ignored in the matter as we have had no meeting. They are resolved to build a marine barracks along side the parade ground. This will prove a misfortune to the town and to the marines, for they will be within a few hundred yards of the Indian village on the one side and the saloons on the other. Why should they persist in leaving such a fine location as Japonsky Island is difficult to conceive. I hope that you may exert your influence to defend this measure. If Haydon and Turenholt recommend this, I shall oppose it in a minority report. Turenholt showed his ill will the other day to Mr. Shields the mission carpenter, who was cutting some stress for wood along Indian river and ordered him to stop. I do not like the Dolph bill put through the Senate. Why cannot Congress treat the people here as well as those in the other territories? I suppose it is because Alaska is only a "District", this I believe is Harrison's reason. People here have but little confidence in Elmer W. Bruce and regard him as an adventurer and upstart. He is with Dick Willoughby on the Silent City business in Glacier Bay; this is reported that he is trying for the Clerk's office, this would be a misfortune. We are trying to reorganize our business and shall probably make Fort W. our headquarters. Dr. Kelly has been sick but is about now. Miss Kelsey is riding a high horse and her conduct toward him is very insolent. Miss Rogers is trying too and Miss Rankin keeps her tongue going and her visits to Max Prechts do not add honor to the mission. The ladies made a great mistake by sending her back. The woman is almost a monomaniac on matrimony. Dr. K's position is very trying and I fear that the Board does not appreciate him. If the land laws come I hope that there will be a due recognition of the rights of the missions settled by the act itself and not left to be determined before the Land Commissioner in the Courts. I see that Gov. K. honors Geo. K. as much as did Swineford. Geo. works his points and keeps in and all ideas of decency and morality are set aside; this is why I think that Knapp has no backbone.

Elizabeth and baby and well. Rev. Gould came on this steamer and will remain two weeks. I do hope that Max Precht may fail to pass the Senate but I fear that he will.

Yours sincerely,

John. H. Brady.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-
I will be very happy to see you at 11 o'clock on Saturday morning as I will be out of town on Thursday and Friday.
Sincerely yours,
F. F. Shepard.

March, 5, 1890

March, 7, 1890

Hon. Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.
Dear Sir:-
We wrote you some time ago, requesting your photograph, from which we wish to engrave, for a publication containing the "State School Commissioners of the United States".
We have received all but a few, yours among the number. Won't you kindly give this matter your attention, as our publication will be incomplete without your picture.
Trusting we may be favored with an early reply, with enclosure, we beg to remain,
Respectfully yours,
L'Artiste Publishing Co.
T. Degre.

March 29, 1890

Dear Sir:-
Will you not oblige us with your photograph? We need your portrait to complete our groups of State Supts. Our publication is not to be a book or pamphlet, but an engraving, to be framed, containing the educators of the U. S. It will be a picture you will be pleased to possess, and one that your family will always appreciate, not only now but in the future. We therefore hope you will oblige us in this matter.
Very respectfully,
L'Artiste Publishing Co.
Note. Was absent in Alaska and did not received letters for six months.
Sheldon Jackson.

Clarion, Pa.
March, 10, 1890

Dear Dr. Jackson:-
I shipped your map last week. It had not been opened since you shipped it to me, as my duties here engaged all my time.

We can furnish you trained teachers, good christian men and women, for as many schools as you may open. I think it would be a good idea to have a colony of teachers go from one community. They would not feel their isolation so keenly if old acquaintances could come together once a year.

I have nothing to say for Mr. Porter. he might suit but I would hesitate to recommend him.

Please remember me kindly to Mrs. Jackson.

Sincerely your friend,

A. J. Davis.

Juneau, Alaska.
March, 10, 1890

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Bro:-

Enclosed you will find copy of free press. I suppose you have read the record of last week. Free press hits me berry for reference for my own information.

We have nearly two feet of snow on the ground. Are having very large congregations at our Sabbath services, owing probably to the prayer meetings help in both villages. I have done very little in any scientific way this winter, further than watch the weather and report on that.

Mrs. Willard is not feeling her best these days. Children are well. Home O. K. and full.

Kindest regards to yourself and family.

Fraternally,

Eugene S. Willard.

No 1 Mission st., San Francisco, Cal.
March, 14, 1890

Dear Sir:-

I find that no communication can be had with Alaska ports through whalers after today, and the steamer just about to sail will probably not touch anywhere this side of Bering Strait.

I was very glad to see in the first paper that came under my eyes on arriving here that the resolution was passed by the House. I think for getting a measure of that nature through Congress I have beaten the record.

For the work in the Artic District I have secured the very man who was the principal factor in compiling the vocabulary you mentioned to me, Mr. John W. Kelly now connected with the Pacific Steam Whaling Co:I have offered Mr. Bruce one of the places in the Southeastern Alaska should he desire

it.

I trust you are making progress in the matter of government transportation for us later in the season.

If anything occurs in Congress or Departments of interest to me please keep me informed, writing to this address or care of H. L. Tibbals, Port Townsend.

I have strongly urged upon Mr. Porter the necessity for establishing headquarters here.

Very respectfully,
Ivan Petroff.
Special Agent.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Philadelphia, Pa.
March, 17, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
My dear Dr. Jackson:-

Mr. Provost connected with the Divinity School at West Philadelphia as a student, hopes to visit Alaska during the coming summer as a preliminary step to mission work in that region, probably on the Aleutian Islands; and also with a view to collecting information that will be of service to the Indian Rights Association in future efforts which it may be called upon to make for the benefit of the Alaskan Indians.

If you can give us any information which will be of service to Mr. Provost in arranging his course I shall be greatly indebted to you.

Believe me, with sincere regards,
Faithfully yours,
Hebert Welsh.

1122 Fourth St.
Seattle, Washington.
March, 18, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Brother:-

At a called meeting of the Presbytery of Puget Sound, held at Sumner, on the 19th of February, it was resolved to overture the General Assembly next May to erect a new Synod to be composed of the Presbyteries of Alaska, Idaho, Olympia and Puget Sound; to be called the Synod of Washington.

As cooperation of sister Presbyteries is both desirable and necessary, I am instructed to write you in regard to the matter and ask that you will bring it before your Presbytery

for it's action. The three Presbyteries here are united in their desires and purposes. To trust that your Presbytery will be of the same mind.

Yours fraternally,
Geo. F. Whitworth.
L. C.

Juneau, Alaska.
March, 20, 1899

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I would like to return to Sitka school next year. I have become acclimated and would now be able to do the work.

I have enjoyed my work here very much and do not like to give it up, but my parents are coming to Alaska and we will probably make Sitka our home. The pleasure of being at home will be a great deal to me therefore I am particularly anxious to get the position.

Hoping that you will view this matter favorably, I am

Yours respectfully,
Cassia Patton.

Sitka, Alaska.
March, 27, 1899

Reverend and Dear Sir:-

Capt. Perenholt came to my quarters last evening and spoke to me of your courtesy in securing him the copy of the bill now before Congress for an appropriation to build a marine barracks at this place. Naturally this is a matter that more directly interests me than anyone else. Reporting here on Dec. 19th last I found that a hastily drawn plan for a garrison for 25 men had been sent to Washington by the previous with an estimate of cost of construction placed at $3000 This estimate was rudely calculated by comparison with the school building here. I at once saw that the plan as forwarded was not sufficient nor what was wanted and so notified the Commandant of our Corps. Since I have sent in a plan for a building, such as my experiences teaches me is sufficiently large and comfortable for 50 men. My force here has already been increased 17 and when proper quarters are provided I think the force here will number 50 enlisted men and men of good character and habits.

Capt. Perenholt has asked me to write you to see if it is possible to have the amount as expressed in the bill doubted?

As it now stands it will be impossible in my opinion and I have looked at the question in all its phases, to erect a proper building with Mess hall, kitchen, guard room, bath, and wash room, officers quarters, dormitory, clothing, store room etc for less than $6000. This is the sum that has been generally specified by the several contractors or builders here as the probable cost of such a building as is necessary.

My desire is first to look out for the interests of my command and then the interests of the city. I wish to put up such a building as will not only be comfortable for the men but at the same time be an ornament to the city.

I beg you will pardon me, a stranger writing you so freely but you have very much at heart the interests of Sitka, and being on the spot can materially advance any matter of importance that may come up and on the policy of general "weal or woe" I have presumed to write you.

Very sincerely yours,
T. T. Chamberlain
Capt. U. S. A. A. F.
Corresponding Mariner.

New York,
March, 29, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
My dear Sir and Brother:-

Your favor has not been at all ever looked. I am doing what I can to secure a man and perhaps wife for your field. Eight of our male students were graduated this week at the University and out of 300 only three fourths were on the Honor roll, only 20 could get there.

I shall be glad to aid you in any possible way to help the poor people of Alaska. I published an article in my Med. Miss. Record recently and will sent you a copy.

Excuse haste.

Very sincerely yours,
George D. Dowkontt.

Round Lake, N. Y.
March, 31, 1890

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir and Bro:-

I herewith send you a letter that I expected to go direct from Gen. O. O. Howard to you. I am not quite sure but I am scattering a little.

Before I knew you had gone east, I commenced to send references to the Home Missionary Society of the Presbyterian

church at New York, but latterly have concluded from your relation to the great work in Alaska, you more than any other should have the say in the matter of the appointment of Mission hospital surgeon; therefore I send to you. What you kindly say to me what you think of the prospects are of favoring my son. I cannot but believe you will have occasion to be pleased with appointing him.

Very truly yours,
John D. Rogers.

Round Lake, N. Y.
March, 27, 1890

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

I send to you through Maj. Gen'l. O. O. Howard, U. S. A. endorsed by the Gen. my old commander, a letter with reference to my son, Dr. J. D. Rogers now in charge of the Marine hospital at Sitka, Alaska. I sent to you sometime ago a letter from the business college of Troy endorsed by Gen. Alonzo Alden and some of the officers of our association. I trust you still think it convenient and in your heart to appoint my son to the surgeonsy of the Marine hospital connected with the work at Sitka. I can but believe that he and his wife would be good helpers to that society in holding up the moral reform and religious element there. So far as his attainments in the medical and surgical line go I have no fears according to his teachers, young men have made a graduation. I trust that I am not presumptuous to write this abbreviation believing in your great work, I am

Yours truly,
John D. Rogers.

Sitka, Alaska.
April, 1, 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

I see that Mr. Shields will make no effort to build as long as he can have or thinks he has a house free of rent. I think it would be well for you to inform him that he will be charged rent from the first of January 1890. While Mr. Shields is satisfactory, Mr. Simons is highly satisfactory. It would be hard to find one among a thousand as suitable for the work as Mr. Simsons.

Mrs. DeVore continues to press her radical views, to talk foolish and to engage in innovations. She has quarreled with Miss Rankin, Miss Rogers, Miss Delp and has tried to quarrel

with Mr. Simson on politics. None of the other new workers are quarrelsome. Miss Kelsey takes to Mrs. DeVore and id trying to freeze out Miss Brady and Mrs. Simson. She willfully insulted Dr. Arnold, quarreled with Mrs. Overend and has treated me with the utmost contempt and ignores me in everything. I have quarreled with no one except Miss Kelsey she is utterly insuborinate. The Board should either establish harmony or give the Superintendent some authority. In my report to the Secretaries last June I suggested some regulations, two of which would set things right, i.e.

1. That the business of the institution be done through my office.

2. That teachers quarterly reports should have my signature. Since my return I wrote them again but all to no purpose. Now you have some idea why I resigned.

Hastily and sincerely yours,

W. A. Kelly.

P. S. Yesterday I kindly requested Mrs. DeVore to refrain from quarreling. She said she had been instructed that she was to receive instructions from me and that she would try to comply with the regulations of the school, but the rest of the ladies must be submissive too. I will not stay if this fighting cannot be controlled. By next steamer I will forward to the Board and to the ladies some regulations requesting their adoption. There is no trouble with the workers I engage although they see that there is discord and feel it too.

Yours of March 17th just received.

Sitka, Alaska.
April, 4, 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor:-

Last mail I received your pamphlet, giving account of your voyage to Siberia. The little book has been read here with much interest, and we are all of the opinion that great credit is due you for such a brave and good work you have accomplished. It will be one of the key stones in the arch of Alaska fame. We hope that God will give you strength and bless you with health to complete the work you begun.

May be that you have heard that Dr. Fernow gave me a contract to procure and mount Alaska fishes, for exhibition at the Columbia exposition at Chicago. The collection was completed packed and boxed last Feb. and sent to Chicago, it consists of 75 different specimens. I had photos taken of the same of which I send two to you by this mail. Several other specimen I have donated to the museum. Miss Carrie Patton I believe has written to you about the cases with specimen

received from the westward. The furs I have thoroughly camphored and aired, they are all in first class condition and will take care they keep that way. I am now engaged collecting all the birds, the different specimens of the Kitkan region and keeping a journal, in which they are described, their colors, habits etc. At our meetings the reports are read and then placed on file with the archives of the museum, when this work is complete, I intend to make a colored plate of each bird, it will then make a valuable edition to the collection.

The sealion skin sent from the westward in a barrel I have opened, found the skin in good condition, you will find it mounted by the time you visit Sitka. A month ago I received an order for 12 eagle skins from the Wolf and Terriott Fur Co., Chicago. The eagle will be mounted and used to decorate the booth which this firm has at the Worlds Fair.

Now I will close Doctor, hoping my letter will find you and your family in the best of health, as it leaves me with best wishes from my wife and myself. I remain

Yours truly,
F. H. Frohese.

Arrytage, Ashley Road.
Bowdon, Manchester.
April, 5, 1890

Dear Sir:-

I have read with very great interest the references to the subject of temperance teaching in schools contained in the report of the Bureau of Education, 1887-88 I should feel greatly obliged if you would favor me with the terms of the law under which you are acting and if any, additional particulars as to its working. A strong effort will I hope be made to obtain similar legislation here.

Yours truly,
William H. A. Axon.

Decatur, Alabama.
April, ", 1890

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Friend:-

I have got your letter and am so circumstanced now that my burdens seem pretty heavy, and so I feel like telling you of my plannings for the future. The way seems desolate sometimes for I have seen the one of all others most precious laid down in the dreamless sleep. You remember my dear little Lillie, last October she left us, and it has seemed as if everything has been swept away, but I feel I must be up and doing

in the time that is left to me, whether the years be few or many. I think a good work can be done here among the white and colored population. There is also plenty of work for temperance people to do. I will be very grateful for a word from you.

You have not mentioned your daughters, are they with you in Alaska? Mrs. J. I believe is.

My regards to all.

Yours truly,

M. E. Griffith.

In all the years since my last work in St. Jo. I have been embarrassed financially, but am beginning to see my way out and so will secure to you either property or stated payments until I cancel the amount. My property in Logansport is mortaged just enough to prevent me from raising money on it and I use the rents to pay that off. I have a house an lot here that rents from $5 to $10 per month. The liabilities against it are about $50. It is now used for a school by the colored people, and as soon as the lien against it is satisfied I will be glad to turn the rents over to you, to be sent you when the trustees pay the money. I think it is quarterly.

You probably know that Lillie's father my cousin was a complete wreck through intemperance, through her instrumentality he reformed and came south and in order to help him to feel that he had a home I borrowed $200 to buy some Gov't land 10 miles from here, which he has improved but has never paid me for. Coming here about 3 years since I found 160 acres adjoining, I entered it and with some little expense I can get a deed in 2 more years. There is a large negro population taking up the surrounding lands and if I knew what to do would be glad to help them establish a school. They have organized a church and S. S. I am not able to teach, but I can almost live out doors and have my health, and work among the people. Our Home Board has built a very good church here, and Mr. Porter the young minister, who is laboring withmany difficulties is anxious to have me take up a sort of visitation and work. I have been doing a little in that direction and in having Sunday afternoon Bible reading among the poorer white people who never go to church, and there is plenty of them. Last week I made arrangements with the white people where my Gov't land lies to have Mr. Porter preach to them occasionally. Most of them are Campbellites or Primitive Baptists and they are indeed primitive. They glory chiefly in their utter ignorance, that the Lord may speak through such empty vessels. Some of their preachers can scarcely read. I find so much to do every where, for the people call on me whenever I attend their meetings, which I do when business calls me there, that I sometimes feel I must get into the work, so that I can give my time to the people. I know that our Board cannot make a departure in my favor but Mr. Porter thinks there are churches

that would supply a salary for such a work if some well know Pres. minister would endorse me. If you can or cannot recommend me, I will be glad to hear from you very soon. Whatever the salary I would be glad to have it paid to Mr. Porter and anything above my necessary expenses to be paid to you, until the account is cancelled, no matter what the law may be.

My last year in St Fe embarrassed me so that I was compelled to borrow money and eventually sell my best property, besides losing $200 rent and giving my cousin the money she had borrowed of me. I commenced the school at St Fe with 3 pupils and when Mrs. Sharon came I had between 40 and 50 enrolled with an average attendence of over 30 pupils. I had an assistent at $10 per month, Miss Lizzie Gough as I could not do justice to the large and smaller children and so when the Board sent Mrs. Sharon to take charge of the school at a salary of $600 so she told me I was borrowing money to live on, and she threw all the classes together took 3 or 4 girls into her everyday room to teach them to sew, always leaving the door partyl ajar to watch and left the little natives she gathered into the room for me to clean of their filth and vermin after school hours and to take charge of the larger boys teaching them to cook and have breakfast ready when she was ready for it, about 6 A. M. for Mr. Perkins was with her every evening until 10 or 11 o'clock. I began to grow indignant particularly as Mrs. Graham in the goodness of her heart was writing me to assist Mrs. S. in every way I could, but when she took my bed covers for the Mex. Children my shoes (I only had one pair she could wear) and many other things and when I went in one evening and found her alone with Mr. P. in her bed room and she in bed, the whole family gone, I determined to leave. I was satisfied before that she doubted as to the anthenticity of as a revelation from the Bible. She made a tool of me as interpreter to help get the child that was bound to her and so she has a servant. I was over worked, nervous and cowardly or I could have written to the Board but she would have hesitated at nothing to blacken me and justify herself. I had no idea of the well wisher I had in St Fe until afterwards, but Bishop Simpson offerd me any position I would accept in school work in the Ter. for their church. I was to loyal to Presbyterianism but if I had known the nervous collepse that followed me for years I should have felt it a temptation. The Lord has led me by a way I would not have chosen and now if the trials which are not yet ended may only be "steps into heaven" that is all I ask.I could not tell you half the things she intimated when she found I was insensible to flattery. I never said or written so much before about this matter but I nevr have met anyone in whom I felt so little confidence. After her true views became apparent to me. How how am I to love a character whose views are entirely repugnant to me and entirely apposed to the doctrine of the Gospel.

I feel guilty sometimes because of the contempt I have for her but I cannot tell you how indignant I was when Mrs. F. told me that the Board did not send her there to teach but to superintend. Tell I never have felt any respect for Mrs. Perkins that now is, but I may have sinned against light and justice, but she was so suspicious of everyone's motives and said that my best friends in St Pe made unkind remarks about my work and that the Board considered my work a failure.

New York,
April, 8, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
1025 Ninth St. N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Brother:-

Accept thanks for your esteemed favor of yesterday. We shall be very happy to welcome you here on next Monday afternoon (April 14th) That time will be especially favorable for our Executive Committee will pass at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of that day, and if you can remain so long it will be very pleasant to give the Committee an opportunity of making your acquaintance, and of receiving any suggestions you may make. Whether you can remain or not, we as Secretaries will meet you and Brother Monroe will doubtless be here at the hour you have named.

I hope you will bring the applications you have received, for as yet we have no suitable men in sight.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,
H. K. Strieby.

Englewood, New Jersey.
April, 10, 1890

The Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

I do not think that I shall be able to meet you on Monday as you request in your note 8th inst. I should be glad to gain information on our Alaska work, but I should be of no service in completing arrangements with regard to the contract school at Point Barrow, Alaska. The Board of Home Missions has not approved such a school, and until the approval of the Board has been gained I should not wish to publicly endorse the school as one of the schools of the Board. The printed slip enclosed in your letter, states that this, or one other school will be under the management of the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian church.

Could you know, as I do, how indignant the Board is, often times, when new work is thus arranged and published, before the consent of the Board has been gained, you would appreciate my unwillingness to sit in conference over the completion of a contract like this proposed. We are in debt. The school is in debt. The Board has decided not to enlarge the Alaska work in new stations, but to perfect existing work. The opportunity for church and school in the south and west is most encouraging, yet here we are partially committed by of our promine[illegible] Superintendent to an expensive work away off toward the north pole, and when all arrangements have been made, and the money for the first year or two has been secured we are to be urged to take the work. I have written candidly as I believe that you are a candid man. I do not like the method of evangelization. If the method should obtain in every department, the Board would be hopelessly confused. For your consecration and energy, my dear Dr. Jackson we have reason to thank God, but we do wish that you would let us know what your plans in Alaska are before they are matured to completion, when we are compelled to approve them, or else to leave you in an uncomfortable position.

Sincerely yours,
Perry M. Heath.

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25 Warrender Park Road.
Edinburgh, Scotland.
April, 11, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

My dear Friend and Brother:-

Your letter of March 24th just to hand, forwarded me from Covington, Ohio by my Agent Mr. J. W. Buhl.

You see I am in Europe. Myself and wife came last June and will be on this side of the Atlantic until the summer of 1891 if nothing prevents us. We have been in Edinburgh, since Sept. of 89. I have been taking a special course of study in Philosophy in the University here. This much of myself, and so explains why you have not heard from me at once. A copy of your letter to me was sent by Mr. Buhl to Dr. Bell, St. Louis, Missouri 906 Olive St. I hope by now you have an answer to your letter to him. I am only sorry I am not at home to push the matter, and see that the man and wife are forth coming. If would be a fatal mistake if the Board of Missions fail to accept your offer, it is the grandest opening ever opened to use for church extension. There is no question but the Alaska country is destined in the future to become a great country in itself.

After looking the maps and studing the Alaskan tribes, there appears to me no more desirable offer than to give the C. P. Church the work of "Cook's Inlet".

It seems to me in a true sense the very key to the whole of Alaska. Again let me thank you for your kind offer, and hope ere this you have had a favorable answer from Dr. Bell and that they will furnish you the man for the work. I will write to Dr. Bell and suggest a young man whom I know in Ohio who is admirably adopted for the work. If you have enough work for a man and a single young lady too, his sister is preparing for foreign mission work. I think she would accept the work in Alaskan along wi th her brother. His name is Prof. Lafayette Westfall, Covington, Ohio, and his sister is Miss Annetta Westfall, Covington, Ohio. He is an experienced teacher, fine trainer, and graduate of Oberlin College, Ohio. Would you write them in case you do not hear from Dr. Bell by the time you have this from me. I will call Dr. Bell's attention to the parties, and we will write them as well. Mr. Westfall is not married, though I am not sure he would not if such an opening were opened to him.

Thanking you for your true and sincere interests of your former promises, I thank you again doubly. I am only sorry I am not at present in D. C. that I might push this myself if the Board of Missions do not.

Yours most truly and sincerely in the love of Christ,

J. L. Goodnight.

Fortress Monroe, Va.
April, 12, 1890

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

I am sorry that my duties at Hampton have brought me here and that I cannot meet you on Monday. I shall see Dr. Strieby on my return and learn of your progress in getting a man.

Sincerely yours.
Albert Marrs.

Washington, D. C.
April, 14, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 10th inst. I enclosed herewith, for delivery, if occasion occurs, a communication addressed to Mr. Charles J. Goff, Treasury Agent in charge of the Seal Islands of Alaska, in which he is directed to permit you to land on said Islands for the purpose of inspecting the schools and school children thereon, &c.

Respectfully yours,
Geo. S. Ratcliffe,
Acting Secretary.

Washington, D. C.
April, 17, 1890

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My dear Sir:-

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Our Society is meeting with marked favor in all directions. We will keep you supplied with copies of the Home School and Nation, and shall be very glad to receive any contributions to its columns you may feel free to send us.

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Very truly yours,
Geo. Philbrick.

Indian Training School.
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Pres. Patriotic.

Indian Training School.
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Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:-

We expect the steamer today. We will the April number of the North Star. I have written to the Board and to the Women's Executive Committees. I also sent Mr. Patton an estimate of the amount of fuel needed for the coming year. We have had a long cold winter. The ground is still covered with snow and deeply frozen.

The Bradys' are expecting Mrs. Bradys' parents next steamer. I think Mr. Patton failed in the mercantile business.

I fear that Judge Dugbee will be no credit to the Bench, he is a fast liver and greatly given to drink. What a pity that Alaska is always cursed with a certain class of political appointees that disgrace their position. As to the District Att'y I cannot say, the Governor, the marshal, and the marshall deputies are good law abiding citizens.

Mr. Shields, my carpenter, does fairly well. Mr. Stuson is the best man we have ever had, healthy, energetic, a master shoemaker, a carpenter, painter, taxidermist and always ready for any work of whatever character, besides he is an active christian man.

The breakfast bell has rung and I must close until the steamer arrives.

Very truly yours,
W. A. Kelly.

P. S. After breakfast. No steamer yet, time to greasy for a half hour.

Gov. Knapp and Judge Dugbee are not on good terms. There has been a great war of words among the elite of the town. The men took it up brought parties face to face and the result is that Mr. and Mrs. Dugbee are almost ostracised. Mrs. Dugbee was declared by a number to be a scandal monger. It is reported here that ex-judge Dunlap declares that he will bring suit against you for an article that appeared in print somewhere including him among the drunken officials.

W. A. K.

New York,
April, 15, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

When you were last at the rooms we mentioned to you the statement Dr. Austin had made to us in reference to Dr. Rogers, who had recently gone to Kiska as a marine surgeon.

For reasons I hope you will regard that statement as confidential. I would not like to involve Mr. Austin in any troubls at the mission. I feel confident you will regard the matter as confidential, but there be no har, in my writing you in reference to it.

Yours truly,
C. H. Eaton.
Treasurer.

Wrangel, Alaska.
April, 18, 1890

Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Lee arrived here on the steamer Elder; he informs me that Mr. A. A. Meyer of Sitka received a letter from Judge Heatley informing him that he was going to take legal action against you in the district court at Sitka for Libel. But he says great things and does little ones.

All the good people here are well. Mr McKay is hard at work among the Indians, and is doing much good, under such great difficulty as found at Wrangel for such are the people of Wrangel.

Mr. Lee and myself sincerely hope yourself and family are enjoying the blessings of good health.

Very respectfully yours,
William Willmore.

New York,
April, 19, 1890

Dr Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

I return by today's mail the plans of combination house which you sent me. They are attractive, but are larger than the one we have ordered, which is about 30 by 30 and would cost us about one third more.

The man we have wanted for Point Hope has agreed to go! His name is Driggs and he is a doctor of medicine, having had I believe ten or eleven years medical experience. Will he be able to go up on a Gov't vessel this spring or summer, and if so, when would he have to start? I would like much to get another copy of the pamphlet containing Yakima vocabulary for Dr. Driggs, if possible. What assistence can we get from Revenue cutter or other Gov't vessel toward erecting our house? Capt. Knowles does not agree to erect the house, but simply to deliever it.

He will, however I understand render such aid as he can. I have no answer from you of my last letter.

Yours truly,

Wm. C. Low.

Sent Yakima circular, 6 copies. Write him that you had left and gave him your San Francisco address.

Mrs. Haney.

April, 21, 1890

Vermillion, Ohio.
April, 19, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Your telegram of 16th also letter of same date received. In reply will say that if you can advance me $200 of my first quarter's salary, and retain the same out of the quarter's remittance to my wife, I will be ready to start at once, say May 1st prox. for my field of labor. I feel that I must go, and this will expedite matters, for the mutual welfare of both.

Respectfully yours,

L. L. Stevenson.

P. S. Please to send me any instructions you may deem necessary and oblige me.

Sitka, Alaska.
April, 18, 1890

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

Yours of the 15th ult at hand, glad that you are better and able to be out.

I consider Dolph's bill an iniquitous thing, but perhaps less sinful than nothing at all. Such measures gives a citizen small hope for the future. The action of the Attorney General in regard to prosecution for the cutting of timber are annoying in the extreme. They can gain no case before a jury in Alaska, but if they appeal to the circuit court of oregon they will put us to great trouble and expense and will probably get a decision against us. I have written to Dr. Eaton that by next steamer we would send a detailed statement of the cost of the mill, will send you a copy also. I consider it wisest and best both for the mission and ourselves to combine and have only the one mill.

I note what you say in regard to the Clerk of the Court. The present incumbent cannot be removed too son to suit the people of Alaska, irrespective of party, both himself and

wife breed mischief constantly. For the past month they have had the "town by the ears" especially the "Navy department" The Senator's and the Governors have had special quarrels with them. Even the Gov. has had it for Haydeh threatened to prosecute Mrs. Plumley.

I think it would be an affliction to have Mr. Bruce take his place. Mr Bruce's connection with Prof. Dick Willoughby Silent City Scheme is contemptible enough however well he may have conducted himself in Washington.

Personally I am heartily sick of Mr. Harrison and his administration as far as Alaska is concerned those who have most reason to think their advice should be followed in Alaska affairs are set aside. What wonder is it that we have such scamps as Dracht sent to us? However I shall write to the President this mail of a cranberry transaction I once had with the Pen. Ins and he may have it for what it is worth it may serve as the last straw.

Mrs. Brady has written you in regard to both of the girls teaching here next year, it may look a little selfish to have both sisters in the Sitka schools, but their record as teachers is established, if they could not stand on that we would not ask it. For personal ease in the school work the Juneau school would be preferable to be 1 in Sitka, but for the sake of being with their parents both of them would like to be in Sitka.

Weather has been very cold, business is dead, hard times financially.

Kind regards to Mrs. Jackson and daughters, I am

Yours sincerely,

John G. Brady.

AMERICAN SHIPPING AND INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE,
Office of the Secretary and Commissioner,
Washington, D. C.
April, 21, 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education, Dept. of the Interior,
Washington,

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to advise you that you were elected Vice-President of the American Shipping and Industrial League for the Territory of Alaska, vice Mr. John D. Vanderbilt, deceased.

Miss Edward De Groff, upon your nomination, was elected Secretary, to fill the vacancy caused by your promotion, and I have the pleasure of sending Commissions to you both by this mail.

I beg also to enclose, herwith, a copy of the Resolutions of Tribute to the memory of our esteemed associate, Dr. John K. Vanderbilt, and have also sent a copy to Dr. De Groff asking that he have the same published in some Alaska Journal.

I am, my dear sir,

Very respectfully yours,

Chas. S. Hill,

Secretary and Treasurer.

Tranquil, Alaska.
April, 21, 1890

Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir;-

Up to the present writing I have been very uneasy in my mind since I was forced by Judge Buckley to write you that letter concerning Mr. Baker. It is true he is not a church man but he is a good man and a favorite among the people of Tranquil. And Judge Buckley gets very jealous of him and thought he was trying to get his position, and at the same time cut down on Mr. Dalby and his family which is very unjust toward him. Mr Dalby is a great man and is doing much good among the Indians and he does the best he can. So how-ever I am going to stay by him and do all I can to help him which I do.

On the 31st of March I secured a bright little girl for the Home at Sitka.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

William Kilbuck.

Divinity School,
5000 Woodland Ave.
West Philadelphia, Pa.
April, 22, 1890

Dear Reverend Sir;-

I had the privilege of being acquainted with the contents of your letter to Mr. Welsh, Secretary of Indian Rights Association, dated the 3rd inst. and your information concerning the time of departure of the Alaska Commercial Co's. steamship from San Francisco proved somewhat of a damper on my prospects of visiting the Aleutian Island this summer for the following reasons:

I am pursuing my theological studies here, and will not be at liberty to leave before the 5th of June, Commencement Day and I cannot start much later than this as I desire to

return in time to start on my medical studies which begin about the 1st of October. My plan is to visit the Aleutian Islands, especially the Andreadnoff group, to make a study of the condition and needs of its people with a view of preparing myself to settle among them, and ameliorate their present condition by starting an Educational and Medical Mission among them and of course having uppermost in mind the raising up of their spiritual status, which I understand is quite low.

I have been informed that there were tenders to the whaling fleet which leave San Francisco in the month of June. Possibly you can give me information concerning these, or refer me to some one who can. I should very like to know the time of departure of these vessels, and the cost of passage. Can you tell me of any other possible way of reaching these islands. I had set my heart on reaching them by the way of Sitka, but from your letter I should judge that course would not be expedient. I am not particularly anxious for comfort in this trip. My purpose is to see the people of these islands. As June is swiftly approaching I would very kindly and respectfully trouble you for a ready reply.

Trusting to your kindness, and thanking you for probably having first directed my thoughts to Alaska in reading your book of the same, I am

Sincerely yours,
Jules L. Prevost.

Hampden Library, Va.
April, 22, 1880

Dear Miss-

I have just received from the Rev. [illegible] F. Strieby, D. D. the offer of the position of missionary teacher at Cape Prince of Wales. I have almost made up my mind to accept it, but before doing so would like to have information upon the following points, upon which Dr. Strieby can give me none.

1. Is the climate of the station of such a nature that out door exercise would be impossible many days in the year?
2. What would be the expense of the total outfit necessary and what would it consist of?
3. That would be the annual cost of living at the station?
4. Of what you know of the natives, do you think there would be any imminent probable danger to my life? (This question is more for the satisfaction of my relatives than any one)
5. What amount of baggage could I take in addition to wearing apparel, in the shape of books, for instances?
6. How would we obtain fuel? Would we have to depend on hunting and fishing in part for our meat?

7. Could I send letters to the United States and receive replies the same summer?

8. Would there be any other white men at the station besides the two teachers, and if so, who?

9. In case I should wish to revisit the United States at the end of five or six years, what would be the expense of the trip? Would I have to bear it?

In your reply please give as full details as possible and also mention any essential points that I may have omitted.

An immediate reply will greatly oblige.

Yours respectfully,

J. E. Thornton.

Rev Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

P. S. The main reason for my inquiries as to expense etc is that I have a mother and brother partly dependent upon me and wish to assure myself that I can provide for them out of my salary.

San Francisco, Cal.
May. 2, 1890

To the Agents of the Alaska Commercial Co.
Alaska.

Gentlemen:-

We take pleasure in introducing to you the bearer of these lines Rev. Sheldon Jackson, General Agent of Education in Alaska.

Mr. Jackson will have occasion to visit all the principal points in Alaska on behalf of the Educational Department, and whenever opportunity offers, we ask you to show him every courtesy and render him whatever service and assistance you can, in order to enable him, to achieve a successful result of his mission, and make his sojourn with you an agreeable and pleasant one.

Yours very truly,
Alaska Commercial Co.
Jas Wellbrenner, Secty.

Cambridge, Mass.
May. 12, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Brother:-

I am very anxious to secure a plan when we can send a teacher. Our Society voted to send a teacher perhaps two, to Alaska, for said teacher was needed at Wood Islands. Mr. Roscoe wrote that it was unsafe to send a single woman or even two single women to Wood Islands gave such a terrible account of the sin and impurity there, that we do not

dare attempt to send anyone. Is there not some opening? We have the money, and I think the teacher would be easily obtained. Other denominations go in there, but we seem to be powerless. Can you help us? Any place where a woman can safely go, and labor for Christ as she would like.

Please let me hear from you. If you come this way, I wish to see you, if possible.

Sincerely yours,
(Mrs.) J. C. Hartzdale.

21 Fayeth st.

Tisbar, Ind.
Dec. 17, 1889

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Sir:-

I have received favorable word from board of F. M. today announcing my appointment. Now as to setting a time of departure, can you not assist me in this particular? What things shall we take with us? For example shall we dispose of our furniture and keep bedclothing and cooking utensils, books etc. Shall we take a double wardrobe to carry through a term of years? In short give me some of your personal advice in regard to speedy preparation and best time to start.

Yours truly,
C. F. Hall.

House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.
June, 18, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.
My dear Sir:-

Your favor of May 26th is just received, owing to my absence from the city. It would have had immediate attention had I been here.

I observe with care what you say.

Very respectfully,
C. H. Gibbesen.

Indian Training School.
Niobe, Alaska.
June, 2, 1890

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

Edward Marsden is delighted at the thought of going east with you.

I think it much better for him to go to Marietta College than to Clarion Normal. I will tell you my reasons when you come. We are getting along right well. I hope you will find many improvements here by fall. I wish you could have been here a few days ago this spring for consultation if nothing else. I miss you greatly.

I learned last night that Judge Tuttle, Brady, Hayden, Johnston and perhaps some lesser lights have forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior a remonstrance against your getting the balance of power in school affairs. I at once wrote the Commissioner of Education about it, Mr. Brady wrote to the Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Turner refused to sign their petition. Of course I would take no part in these side issues if you were here but as it is two of three men quietly keep me informed of their secret doings, and while this opposition will not materially effect you I thought it best to keep you informed. Young Mr. Brady we to get the petition but did not append his signature.

I had a right satisfactory talk with Gov. Hagg previous to his sailing on the First to the southward.

Very truly,

W. J. Kelly.

Sitka, Alaska.
June, 20, 1899

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-

We look for the "Queen" tomorrow. All are opposed to the new school regulations excepting your active friend, Mr. Brady. The Judge, the Governor, and they have written the Commissioner declining to serve on the local School Committee. Young Brady write a petition denouncing the new rules, signed by himself, Judge Tuttle, Johnston, Brady, Hayden, Dyer, (Weitzenhiller I suppose) and a few others. Mr. Turner and Mr. Metroff refused to sign it. The petition was forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Brady, in your absence wrote to Gov. Hogg, I wrote to the Commissioner of Education. I am told the Governor deplores the loss of the two hundred dollars per annum. There is considerable political opposition to Judge Tuttle's appointment. Judge Tuttle is an intimate friend of Ex-Judge McAllister's and is very addicted to drink. His daughter is just now creating a little gossip by receiving attention from Mr. Metroff who is, by respectful people considered a moral leper. As yet we have gained nothing by this administration except a better Governor.

Our work is moving along nicely except the scarcity of lumber, Brady's mill running very little.

I would like to get the Russian you speak of as a man of all work.

Very sincerely,
W. A. Kelly.

Washington, D. C.
June, 24, 1890

Dear Sir:-
Many thanks for the Bulletins of the Alaska Society duly received and which I was extremely glad to get.
Yours very truly,
Wm. H. Dall.

Boston, Mass.
Aug. 4, 1890

Dear Sir:
It has been devolved upon me to write the text for King's Handbook of the United States, which is to be published with unusual beauty of mechanical embellishment and illustration, and in an edition of 200,000 copies, with 800 pages, 50 maps (in three colors) and 1400 new pictures of American scenery, building and monuments. I am carrying forward the preparation of this National book with an earnest purpose, for the sake of the Republic and its glories, to reach the best attainable results. And I am sure that if I could get some one like you, in each locality, to read over the MS. about that locality, correcting it where in error, giving it due proportion where unsymmetrical, and (more than all else) touching it here and there with the vivid color which only thorough acquaintance and love of land can give, the power and value of the book would be greatly increased. The statistics need no verification, being from latest official reports; but I am afraid of grave omissions, lack of proportion, and a feeble and perfunctory mode of treatment, born of ignorance and uncertainty in treating unfamiliar places.
The enrichment of the Handbook by the collaboration of representative men like yourself will vastly increase its value, for the state and the people replacing cold and colorless encyclopedia chapters with a series of short and vivid monographs, full of life and color. Every part of the work is being reviewed and enriched in this manner.
I may add that Gov. Knapp has kindly looked over the MS. since which, I have written it all to get in his suggestions. Yet there are many things, doubtless, that you know about better than he.
Yours truly,
H. P. Frontaer.
Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

St. Jerve Mission,
Lower Yukon River, Alaska.
Aug. 18, 1898

Dear Mr. Jackson:-
Yours of April 9th, 1898 reached me but too late to be replied to before the season closed.
In this letter (now before me) you write "I have already written you about your school" That letter I did not receive. You are probably aware that we have been at this post two years. During that time the school has been carried on regularly, the average attendance being from 25 to 30 in winter, which was greatly increased in spring while the Indians were at the Trading Post and dwindled down again in summer.
We have been and are still very much crippled from want of school materials. We have made known our wants to friends at home, but it takes an issue for letters to go and return to say nothing of [illegible] risk of not receiving what help they may send that we almost despair of ever having any school what we would wish it to be. We are very jealous of the Jesuits who if report be true are making rapid strides and seem to have no difficulties at all. They are labouring among the or three hundred miles below us. In respect to the "Yukon" of which you wrote, I have not as yet secured anything that I could use, but shall be on the look out, and as soon as I have made a selection will forward it, to the "Alaskan Society of Natural History" according to your directions.
By the mail just received, I see there is a packet of books, paper, and envelopes, from the Department of the Interior, U. S. Bureau of Education, but thus far, I have received no instructions, as to what I am asked or expected to do with these.
Mrs. Hanlan joins in christian regards and prayers. I remain

Yours sincerely,
S. M. Hanlan.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Loring, Alaska.
Aug. 17, 1898

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.
My dear Sir:-
I arrived here on the 14th inst, and expect to leave tomorrow for Yes Bay, continuing my journey through Behm's canal towards Fort Tongas, and then taking the different settlements to Wrangel, where I shall close my work.
I suppose you will soon learn if you have not before this reaches you, of an attack made upon me by the editor of a Nebraska paper, and which he took occasion to send to

every post office and official in Alaska. It was a vicious attack and Myers of the Juneau Record, I am told republished it. I trust that you will give me an opportunity to be heard, before accepting the article as reliable. It comes from the bitterest enemy I have, and a man utterly without character.

Mrs. Bruce wrote me from Juneau the last of June that she had received a letter from you suggesting that she take a position as teacher at Mr. Willard's home. Then she wrote she had not seen Mrs. Willard. Have not been where I receive my mail for some six weeks. Have travelled entirely around Yuni, Unga Haroff and Prince of Wales islands, and are much pleased with the country.

I trust you have had a delightful trip, and return improved in health. I hope to see you before you leave the territory, if not in Washington this winter. I shall always feel grateful for your kindness to me, and your thoughtfulness for Mrs. Bruce.

Very truly yours,
Elmer E. Jeffers.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska.
Sept. 26, 1920

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

I want to send you a word of welcome if you have touched our shore again. Our thoughts and earnest wishes and prayers have followed you in that long unknown journey.

Now as I must hasten I'll give some school notes. School opened Sept. 1st. I have an enrollment of fifty names, with a fair attendance. Feel the usual interest, and see a continued improvement, though I have a large number of tiny ones, and new pupils, who must learn the ways of school.

Judge Sheakley is excellent both in mission and school work. His heart warms more and more to the interest of the people, and to the need of work being done. Mr. Willey is taking a trip east and Mrs. Willey goes on well with church and mission.

Hope we will have a glimpse, if no more of you soon. Anxious to learn of your safe arrival and of your triumphs in the far Northwest. May we not expect immediate knowledge of you.

Very sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Thomas.

P. S. Mr. Millmore I believe goes to Sitka on this boat. Only this I have to say, beware of him until you know of him from Judge Sheakley.

Indian Training School.
Sitka, Alaska.
Oct. 14, 1880

Capt. J. A. Frain.
Washington, D. C.
My dear Sir:-
I presume you have met Dr. Sheldon Jackson, if not I take pleasure in introducing him.
I know you will take pleasure in doing anything in your power to assist him in furthering the interests of Alaska.
With kind regards, I remain
Yours with respect,
T. A. Jaffy.

U. S. Revenue Steamer Bear.
Onalaska.
Oct. 20, 1880

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Doctor:-
The Captain is writing you himself, but I feel sure he will not tell you half the news I am sure you would enjoy to hear, so asked him to leave me the pleasure of telling all that has happened since you left us. I think the Captain has come to the conclusion that to have a minister on board is a great advantage, for we have had since we parted with you only a succession of storms. The day after leaving Onalaska we encountered a gale, and on the night of Sept. we have to heave to, the sea was very rough and the fog dense, so the Captain could not find the islands, although he knew he was somewhere near St. Paul, we floated about until the evening of the next day, when our good angel drew the veil aside, and we anchored at the N. W. side St. Paul Island. On the 11th we were obliged to change our position and went around to the village, we took from here a number of natives who were desirous to visit relatives both at Onalaska and St. George's Island, also six children for Sitka School. Arriving at St. George Captain Lavender came off and told us in a very excitable manner that they were fitted at a schooner all the day before and she had left, for St. Paul, of course the Captain went back with to find the poor little wood schooner who was bringing them material for warmth for the winter, and on this they wasted their ammunition. Two may be sure we had a good laugh at them, they really should have two cutters, for the schooners can see when the bear leaves either island time enough to get out of the way. Two cutters remaining until late in the fall would prevent this hide and seek business.

Finding the seas clear of schooners we directed our course again toward Unalaska with our precious freight of six little virgins (as the Captain calls them) and oh what a time we had, th storm was as we thought, was about the worst we could possibly have, we were obliged to lay to for a couple of days, and let the ship fight it out with the wind and sea as best she could, there was no sleep or comfort of any kind for anybody on board. We thought of the "Trash" and wondered if she were enjoying the same comforts with us, but Dr.Lunar told us you did not leave until the storm had subsided. The Captain took the children up to Mrs. Turk she received them with open arms, but told me afterwards she felt discouraged at the sight of so many for so small a space as she had to put them, however she soon had them comfortably fixed, some of them were poorly clad, so before leaving the hall, the Captain raised a subscription from the officers and placed it to Mrs. Turk's hands to get shoes or what she thought proper for them. Mrs. Turk received oh such a quantity of things from the east, and two very large boxes from Oakland filled with clothes for the children, a number of pieces of furniture and forty blankets. I cannot begin to tell all of her wealth in this line, she has been very busy making flannel underclothes to keep them warm as all were destitute of under garments. The crew has fourteen living constantly with her.

On the 23rd of Sept. we left again for the islands taking with us those who belonged there, it was several days before we could land at St. George, however the wind hauled in the right direction for the village and we anchored there. Captain Lavender came on board, took lunch with us, after which he urged us to go ashore, we did so. I wanted the Captain as much to see his fur seal, on nearing the shore the surf came suddenly, and sent our boat on the rocks and there we stuck. I cannot tell you how terrified I was I hold on to Captain Lavender for dear life, and my husband with the men worked to get the boat extricated, which they did after some minutes, which seemed to me hours, the gentlemen on shore came out on the rocks as far as they dared and told me to jump and they would catch me, but I thought it too risky and staid by the boat until it landed safely, and strange to say we did not get wet, the roar and the formidable looks of the breakers as they rolled in terrified me. I made up my mind no more going ashore on the Islands for me. We took dinner there, by that time there was no surf, so we availed ourselves to get back to the vessel, this time Mr. Myers was with us, no sooner had we started than the surf came up for our benefit and I assure you I did not breath free until safe on the vessel deck.

All during this month we here had fearful weather our Barometer stood the lowest the Captain ever saw it up here 27.99 the Captain was dreadfully worried, we drifted fifty

miles out to sea under reefed fog sail and double reef main-sail, it was a perfect hurricane, the sea ran mountains high and oh it looked so angry. I had to keep my bed for I was unable to dress the ship rolled so badly she would go way down to her boats and sometimes it did seem as though she never would right again, everybody was anxious, this lasted three days. On the 11th of October we were on our way to St. Paul, between St. George island and St. Paul the men were busy arranging something about the second cutter, I was at my usual seat the cabin stove watching them, the Captain standing near me, the vessel going at full speed, and the sea very high, all of a sudden one end of the boat slipped its lock and "Herman" one of the men fell into the sea, the cry went up immediately, "man over board" and before I could think the Captain stopped the vessel, ordered the boat lowered, and was at his post in the rigging keeping his eyes on the man constantly, as he floated aft, he had presence of mind to catch the patent log line around his arm, from the time he fell and the vessel on her course at full speed, and he safe on the vessel it was only seven minutes, the officers were astonished. Although only a few moments in the water the poor fellow was almost gone, he is quite a stout man and one of the best. I do not think he is on duty yet. We stopped at S. W. Bay St. George on our way down to get the mail, it took them several hours to come over from the village. The Captain was asked to take the steward off the island for deserting conduct and stealing.

I think if the Government could establish schools on either or rather both of these islands the natives would be greatly benefitted by the presence of a man and his wife, trained teachers, people who would be interested in them. Under the present system of education the teacher is employed as a housekeeper or seal killer during the summer months and is put in charge of the schools during the winter merely to fill a gap, and apparently to conform to clauses in contract.

The Captain will send down his crushed and disabled row by the Bertha, while here I go up and help Ivo. Duck to say, poor soul she has so much to do, the children all seem quite happy, occasionally one runs away I think more for the mischief than anything else. I am glad to tell you that Jarvis and the private daughters will others of their size and age, will begin to go to Ivo Turk's school on Monday.

Capt. Anderson just came on board, and he says he would rather go around Cape Horn than face the weather here in Bering Sea, during October and November, but we feel we cannot have anything worse than we have already had. Polly is quite well and happy, given the Captain an occasional nip, for which he blesses her, her rations are nearly exhausted but I think we will not let her starve.

The Captain says tell Dr. Jackson I would rather he read this long winded epistle than we, Presbyterian, is he not?

I trust you have arrived safely home to your good wife, who I am sure was anxiously waiting you. It is needless for me to tell you how very much I missed you and the Captain also felt your absence. I have nearly finished all the work I brought here with me, what I will do for the next month to amuse myself I cannot tell, it is too cold to be on deck much. Mr. Wolf asked me for that scissors the other day, he wanted to show it to some people here. I told him I was sorry but most of my things were boxed up. I hope you will reach Ire. Land ere I am sure will be glad to see you. Remember our trip for next year and urge your good wife to accompany you.

I really feel I have taxed you too much with so long a letter, but I feel sure you will like to know all that has taken place, if I referred to my diary I might keep on indefinitely.

With kindest regards to your dear wife and self, believe me always.

Yours sincerely,
Mary J. Healy.

Treasury, Alaska.
Oct. 21, 1890

Hon. W. T. Harris,
Commissioner of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I have lately heard that a movement is on foot to reestablish the old Board of Education in this territory and also to remove the Gen. Agent, Rev. Sheldon Jackson from his position. Whatever the motive may be for such reestablishment I do not believe that a restoration of the old Board would be for the well being of the schools in Alaska. So long as the schools are supported by the Government of the United States the function of school officers in Alaska will be almost entirely executive and their duties are limited to the execution of the law the enforcement of the rules and regulations of the Department and the carrying out of the wishes of the commission of Education. Hence no legislative body or Boards are needed and experience has shown that such bodies are a hinderance. The allegations that the autocratic and that Dr. Jackson is an autocrat is absurd and is only made for selfish purposes and to injure the Gen. Agt. Rev. Sheldon Jackson is an honest man and his one desire is to spend his life in doing good to all mankind, and all the world knows that he has labored long and faithfully for the natives of Alaska and has accomplished more in the way of educating, civilizing and Christianizing these people than all others combined. Alaska is so different from all other parts of our country that the laws and regula-

tions of none of the states or territories will apply here.

This is not a farming country and there is not farmers and no rural population, no settlers come to this country to get land and make homes for themselves and families. The white people all live in the towns and mining camps and take but small interest in school or anything but what directly interests them. These towns are about one hundred and fifty miles apart and can be reached by water travell only, which is always very dangerous and uncertain except by ocean steamships. The meeting of boards and Committees is always uncertain and also in Alaska, hence the necessity of confiding the execution of the laws to as few as possible. I am

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hawley.

Dallas, Texas.
Oct. 24, 1890

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

The members in this section desiring to answer to you in some manner an expression of their esteem, have unanimously elected you an honorary member.

Very respectfully yours,
Wm. F. Austin.
Sec'y.

Nome, Alaska.
Oct. 31, 1890

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

I send you a copy of the statement which we sent Mr. Eaton, concerning our saw mill. Mr. Lopez writes me about it and I hope that he saw you as you went down. The property is a good one and will earn the mission well. I would be willing to retain my interest and go into the mill myself and introduce woodworking machinery to manufacture yellow cedar into whatever forms that the market requires inside of blinds, trimmings etc.

Miss Kelsey, Fanny Willard, and the Dr. and his wife are here by the Mexico. Things are quiet. The marshall will be able to draw money and court is set after the arrival of the next steamer. Mrs. Nelrenda white died after 24 hours of life.

Our prayer meeting increases in interest. Mr. Kelly has much trouble with Miss Hewitt, she is really not a proper person for that work or to be about those buildings. I hope you may lose no time in impressing this fact upon persons who are responsible for her presence here.

All the documents which appear concerning Alaska which you may be able to send will be appreciated.
My regards to Mrs. Jackson and your daughters.
Yours sincerely,
S. H. Brady.

Attoouk, Alaska.
Oct. 8, 1890

Mr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:-
Much as I wanted to see you when you did arrive that day I did not say anything I wished to. With all your rallying me I did not even have time to tell you that I did not even know the U. S. was in the bay until you stepped ashore. I think about it now, how fearfully everything looked. You must have formed a poor opinion of my taste and sintiness; yet my friends accuse me of being so particular and grim as an old maid. I must have been a little discouraged about that time. I am proud of the school and regret so much you could not see it right. Every child in the school but three can point out all the states on the U. S. map and give the capitals and ask the questions plainly as you heard some of them. Children that could not memorize four lines in a week, a year ago, can now commit to memory a page of two, and speak it well, as they all do every week. They sing nicely, write off national songs and recite them readily. I had some children's papers Mr. Rogers kindly gave me and it was grand to see how eagerly they got them and read and returned them for others to read. I got some pictorial papers, but very few as yet, of the many things I want to friends for to instruct and amuse the children. Nor did I have time to tell you that we must have a wood house and water closets. The wood is bad enough at best and with no place to keep it in to get dry; it is hard to keep this large room with so much glass surface warm and comfortable. The flue is at the wrong end. We are obliged to set the stove up by the doors and run the pipe almost the entire length of the room. I wish you would authorize me to change that flue and put it where it should be, directly between the two doors, where the cold comes in. That ventilating business is a failure as the existing lumber is all split open by the heat, cold air would pour in if we did not stop the cracks. Please let me know about this by the first steamer in the spring, and also give me the necessary order for the wood house and closets, for I intend to build them now if I can get the lumber. We cannot get through the winter without them, and it will not do to let the school suffer for all they will cost, after so much has been done. What use am I to make of these orders like the one you gave me for the

fence? Just keep them here I suppose.
Truly,
John Duff.

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134 Montgomery Street.
Brooklyn Heights.

To the
Hon. W. J. Tracy,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:-
I beg to introduce to your favorable notice Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D. who is Territorial Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska under the Department of the Interior.
I remain, my dear sir
Yours very respectfully,
Henry Chelsea.
Nov. 25, 1885

New York,
Nov. 27, 1885

John T. Shriver, Esq.
Hall & Empress Streets,
Dear Sir:
This will make you acquainted with Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson, the Superintendent of Education for Alaska, who will be able to facilitate you about anything in the Arctic region.
Will you also please make him acquainted with Mr. Fee.
Yours very truly,
W. F. Shepard.

Gettysburg, P. T.
Nov. 21, 1885

Dear Dr. Jackson:-
I found your letter on my return home last week, after an absence of six weeks. I hastened at once to send draft for $100 to the Treas'r Mr. Cor., Rev. D. M. Boyd, Treas. for the scholarship. I am glad the boy is young and bright. Cannot he be so trained that he may be a blessing and help to his own race. God bless the boy. I shall like to hear about him and the progress he makes.
Wishing you great success in your labor, or love, for the Master, I am

Very sincerely,
J. B. Beem.
(Mrs. J. B.)

Nitin, Alaska.
Dec. 28, 1900

Mr. President,
Sir:-

As a citizen of this District and as a member of the Republican party and more especially as one who desires the moral welfare of this community, I feel deeply grieved at the state of affairs as they now exist.

So far we have been unfortunate in the men who have been sent here to preside over the District Court. The present incumbent John H. Dayton far [illegible] surpasses them all. Yesterday he was intoxicated and in a proper condition while endeavoring to preside over his court.

Last June while holding court in Juneau City, his conduct was bad in the extreme, he had prostitutes to come to his room and drank and caroused with them till away in the night even to the annoyance of those who live in the neighborhood. His conduct while blotting the doorsills of the prostitutes was so utterly vile, as to disgust even the abandoned women themselves. I heard of this wrong doing soon after he returned from that term of court to Sitka, and meeting Governor Brady I asked him if he had heard of these things he replied he had not, but that he had accounts of his conduct here. To day I called on the Governor and asked him if he had taken any pains to find out the truth of these reports, he said he had conversed with men from Juneau and believed that what was reported to be true, but that what men told him was in confidence and that the men did not wish their names to appear. The Governor assured me that if he could get affidavits he would not hesitate to send them. The Governor himself was present in court yesterday and surely could not have felt impressed with the dignity of the Judge. The men who proposed his name for the most prudent office in Alaska, imposed upon you and and did us who dwell here a grievous wrong.

A private sale of seized liquors took place in the seizure room of the Custom House here last New Year's eve. The Collector went through the formality of requiring the purchasers to ship the stuff out of the territory, by filing a bond with him, but he well knew that the purchasers intended to use the liquors here. The District Attorney I believe was the one who made such purchase and gave such bond, the whole matter was talked over on New Years Day and many of us felt and still feel that a disgraceful thing has been done by men who were sent here to execute the law.

Now Mr. President, feeling sure that the conduct of the Judge, District Attorney, and Collector of Customs has not been such as is becoming an officer of the U. S. and that you may know more accurately the whole state of affairs, and the public feeling here, allow me to suggest that you forward Mr. [illegible] to investigate the conduct of these officers and report to you in person at Washington, for it is a principle of your own and we believe you have made no mistake in the case. I have had one conversation with Mr. Seabergaugh, and I know that he feels glad at heart, over what he might witness with his own eyes. I trust that you will use this means or any other which may appear better, to acquaint yourself with the facts, and then for the sake of those who dwell in this land and for the dignity and good name of their Administration, to lay the axe with vigor at the root.

Mr. Seabergaugh does not know that I am writing this communication, but has the slightest idea that I am, although in as a prayer person to perform such a duty. I am allowed to refer by leave to John M. Field, Attorney at Juneau, Percy Cook and Daniel Kimball, Attorneys at Port Townsend, Percy Penfield, Douglas Island, A. J. Parker and A. Delaney, Interpreter of Juneau.

I send this letter to his Excellency Chilton Atkinson, Governor of Nebraska with a request that he will please to [illegible] hands.

I have the honor to be Sir,
Very respectfully,
John G. Brady

Executive Mansion,
Fort Wayne, President.
Marietta, O.
Dec. 21st, 1880

My dear Governor-

I have your letter and thank you. I read your letter in Star, and is full and happens with the greatest interest, and am thankful, your expedition was safe and successful. It is not only a credit to you, it honors our day, our country, our Christian civilization. I write in haste, just to free a trip, and can only call you a word of reply. I hope to see you soon when we will have time to talk over it. [illegible] expenses. I think if we are to go we can give fair reports to the expenses from the Indian Office and the Indians will not trouble us.

Send this character ready.
Sincerely yours,
John Hayes.

P. S. I may be in W. next week.

Nixon, Alaska.
Jan. 1st, 1910

My dear Mr. Jenkins:-

Enclosed you will find a letter which I address to President Harrison. Please read it and do me the service to place it or have it placed in the President's hands.

If such a state of affairs as now exists here is allowed to continue it is not worth while for decent people to stay or remain. I fear that Gov. Brady is not very brave in the performance of duty or else he would have brought this matter to a focus long ago. The Gov. and U. Postmaster do not agree about issuing licenses to saloonkeepers. The Gov. has issued licenses to two different parties in it. Wrangell. Mr. D. has refused to accept the money i. e. $500 and the Gov. has sent it to Commissioner Dowling for safe keeping.

The grand jury indicted Jack Proctor for extortion while he was acting as deputy internal revenue collector for illegal fees taken from those who sell liquors. What can the President think of a Collector of Customs for Alaska acting as internal revenue officer? But Judge Dawson is the wisest man who has appeared in the parts. I will not attempt to tell you how he acted but will only say that a minister plenipotentiary from Turkey and Hawaii, could not be more wise if half of what I hear is true and I am assured that it is.

The letter with your note from the Ingraham people came here. I am not able to say much now. We have the ice ready for sawing. Have had snowdrifts in the cove from mid of the -Dark.

The mission fields are well as far as I can learn.

Yours sincerely,
John G. Brady.

Nixon, Alaska.
Dec. 17, 1909

My dear Mr. Voigt-

Late Friday evening Dr. Edwards was passing where I was at work and called me aside. He said that Mr. Delaney had told him that I was reporting him and he wanted to know if it was true. I told him I was and for what via. his conversation with the sale of the liquors at the Customs House on New Years eve. He had a long talk and I told him frankly how I felt and what had prompted. He said that he did not and would not deny his connection with the liquor sale, but that he did it without much fore thought and of course could not justify his conduct. I told him that I did not think it was right for an officer of the law to act so. I told him that my letter was at Juneau and that I could recall what I had written about him if he so desired. He said that he would like for me

to do so. To this end I have written the letter from the latter promo copy leaving out the part about the Nat. Atty and the Collector of Customs. It is my wish that you get this immediately on the arrival of the boat and that you include the enclosed letter to Mr. Jackson instead of the other. Please be sure and attend to it. Lest for fear that you may have mailed that letter and cannot withdraw it I send a copy of the enclosed to Mr. J. with explanation. Johnston is young and I do not wish to injure his career as he is truthful and manly and promises to exit lumber from the associations which have dragged him down since he has been in Alaska. He told me that he had frequently warned Taylor that the people would not stand his conduct. So far as they do not endorse it longer he need not be surprised. Turner, Rogers, Harrington, Gov. Brady and Andrew Lockwood, Delany & Lane, Hughes of course were on a tear the night after you left. They had a supper at the Palm Cafe and Gov. B. got horribly drunk early, Delany and Harrington took to the Afternoon where he made a terrible mess. The others sensibly kept cool till late. The next day Harrington read the orders during the remains of Gov. Gallagher. The practice might be one for long heads around the house where the corpse lay.

Yours of the 15th inst. at hand. I have written to Mr. Jackson. You or have begun the war on Wickersham, not. I feel sure that Taylor is vanquished. The safest way is to practically ignore him. Wishing you and your family a pleasant holiday season.

Yours sincerely,

John F. Troy.

Sitka, Alaska.
Dec. 16, 1909

Mr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Friend:-

Enclosed find a letter which please read. By the way of explanation it occurs that I wrote a letter to the Presidents which Mr. Hale took back at Juneau and he was to send it to you by this mail with the request that you send it or rather hand it to the President. Mr. Hale intends visiting you and will doubtless endorse other papers. Mr. Johnson has been to me to have a talk and I now think that he sees he has made a mistake. He asked me if I had reported him to the President and I told him yes. After further conversation about the Judge I told him that my letter was at Juneau and that I had power to recall what I had written if he so requested. He did and out of respect for his family and feeling that he is a young man with a power for good and he says that he has resolved on a different course. I thought it best to

rewrite my letter leaving out the paragraph concerning the Dist. Atty. I have sent this letter to Mr. Reid to send to you and for fear that there may be some failure I send you a copy of the letter which I should like the President to read.

I can hardly make out why Gov. Knapp persists in issuing liquor licenses. Capt. Whitaker informs me that the shipment to Charlie Jones and Fred Lynch who have a license sold to Mr. Frederick who has a license at Ft. Yukon amounts to six tons. There men at Juneau take out licenses by this boat and the Collector gives them permits to land what they order.

When the President really understands how the Gov. has gone straight against the opinion of the Dist. Atty expressed in a public meeting at Juneau last January, against the opinion and advice of Mr. Pettigrew who refuses to return one dollar of the money put up by the saloon men and against my own earnest plea not to meddle with it, he will surely feel that Alaska needs a different man for Governor. I feel sadly disappointed in Gov. Knapp. I assure you that the saloon men themselves are greatly surprised at the course of the Gov. and Collector. Of course they will stick up to the extent of their money and wire[illegible] they know well that it is all against the law and cannot last long. The result will be seen in court in the Jan. term of court. The natives of course will have it far above the carcass in there will the saloon be outlawed [illegible]. Instead of all dispute the saloon will [illegible] with the white man [illegible] the natives [illegible] will follow this free importation. I do not like it. Gov. Knapp told Mr. Pettigrew that the whole mix silence on the subject and that he noted with disappointment. Treatment Thurt not should be made to understand clearly the law's action and position on this subject and to take a different view of the law would cause one who will endeavor to enforce that view.

I am very sorry and really do not feel like taking up these matters but some one must. I earnestly pray for a better state of affairs.

All are well. Winter here to cold terms.

Yours sincerely,
John L. Healy.

Juneau, Alaska.
Dec. 31, 1909

Dear Senator:

I enclose the letters from Mr. Healy which have been received this moment from Sitka, and since the other letters have been mailed and registered I see no way of carrying out Mr. Healy's instructions. Will you have the kindness to substitute the within letter for the other, to be handed to the President. I hope the President will act promptly on this

matter.

Please write me and let me know if you can find it convenient, with respect to the within matter.

In haste.

Respectfully,
J. T. Reid.

San Francisco, Cal.
Dec. 7, 1870

J. Muir Esqr.:-

Your favor of the 1st inst. I have just received.

I am wearied and exhausted- have labored to locate suitable negatives from which to select proper pictures for your lectures. They are destroyed for and what it is somewhat objectionable to show how little can be seen of the negatives. Some are huge, others so diminutive as new, however I shall succeed I trust so that you will be pleased as far as I am. At the few small negatives in my all absorbing topic just at present I will include a few pictures of the Lick etc. I cannot find it convenient to lose lectures just a little engagement to Yosemite when the rainy season sets in to determine the days in which etc. If I can find that you see fit to mention the service to myself in any of your lectures that you will please pay me no compliment at the expense of any other branch of the public service. If we cannot stand in our own rights happiness with charity to all and with malice to none, I would rather remain in obscurity. I have talked to and interviewed many in the Pioneer scheme, but you must readily understand that I would prefer to come before knowing any publicity to the matter, how my superiors, the Secretary and Capitol Engineers view the subject. You can readily see why I would like to be posted to that extent. I shall endeavor to see Tinkert and if I can procure from him a description and number of such negatives as were performed at the Utility of the reservoir as new, I will send you the account, as may add to the interest of the lectures.

I am still in haste, yet
Yours Faithfully,
T. A Dodge.

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43 Prospect Place, Brooklyn
Dec. 18, 1870

J. Thaldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:-
I am ashamed that I have so long delayed writing to

your courteous note of the 4th inst. My excuse is that I have been exceedingly busy in getting together, packing, and sending off a Christmas parcel for the Sac and Fox Agency, and also with the writing incidents to our monthly meeting.

While we greatly appreciated not having you with us at our last meeting, we shall anticipate with pleasure your presence at some future time, during the winter. I send you a list of dates at which our future meetings will be held.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. F. L. Dutton
Cor. Sec'y. D. F. A.

January 25th
February 22nd
March 11th
April 8th
May 13th
June 10th

Bureau of Education.
Washington, D. C.
June 16, 1900

Hon. W. T. Harris, L. L. D.
Commissioner of Education, U. S.
Dear Sir:

In 1898 Congress passed "an act providing a civil government for Alaska", which was approved by the President on May 17th of that year.

As the act provided for an Legislature or legislative control, as for any territory, all educational matters were devolved upon the Secretary of the Interior, and he was charged with the duty of making "such rules and proper provision for the education of the children of Alaska."

This he has endeavored to do through the bureau of Education in the establishment of elementary and industrial schools in which are taught a few of the mechanic arts.

In the growth of these schools, and in the targeting one one of the leading features in the course of instruction in an Agricultural school is stock raising. In Alaska the environment would cause the care, management and propagation of domestic reindeer to be one of the leading industries.

The stocking and utilizing of the much plains of polar Alaska would be a great event under any circumstances. But just now it is especially important and urgent from the fact that the destruction of the whale and walrus has brought large numbers of natives face to face with starvation, and something must be done promptly to save them. This can be accomplished through the introduction of domesticated reindeer and the teaching of Eskimo boys and young men the best method of taking care of them.

Again, thousand of miles of the Southern coast of Alaska owing to the "Japan current" have a temperate climate, and it is probable that some fruits and vegetables could be grown with success, but no intelligent experiment has been made to test the agricultural capabilities of the country. Development of the educational system, the time has come when the conditions of the country and people demand an enlargement in the line of the act of July 1st, 1898 providing schools for the benefit of Agriculture and the mechanic arts, and the supplementary act approved March 2nd 1907, establishing an experiment station in connection with agricultural schools, and also the act approved June 20th 1908, for the better support of the schools for the benefit of Agriculture and the mechanic arts.

There are in Central and Arctic Alaska about [illegible] square miles of lands covered [illegible] that is especially adapted to the grazing of the reindeer and is practically useless for any other purpose.

To reclaim and make valuable this must come by introducing a large and permanent industry where time, gradually extend, to take a barbarian people on the verge of starvation, and left them up to a comfortable self supporting and civilization, is certainly a great and important work.

To the establishing and maintaining schools such seeking the rules for this government has been interpreted to the [illegible] of the Interior I would respectfully and earnestly recommend that you apply to him for the establishing of an agricultural school as contemplated by the acts above cited.

And if it be deemed best for the [illegible] time power to do so, then ask Congress for legislation by empowering the Secretary of the Interior to establish the [illegible] of said acts over Alaska.

Very truly yours,
Governor Brady.

U. S. Com'l Agt. of Transportation for Alaska.

Juneau, Alaska.
Dec. 11, 1909.

Hon. Gaylord Pinchot,
Bureau of Forestry,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. J. H. Brady of Nome, Alaska has written you requesting some of the Government officials at that place, among whom he mentioned John H. Dunham, Judge of the U. S. District Court for Alaska.

Mr. Brady read to me his letter to the President (intruster to your care)

with respect to such officials, and I must admit that I cannot otherwise them to endorse what he says of Judge Taylor, as to what he says of Mr. Johnson, District Atty., and of Mr Brandt, the Collector, in duty bound to me, not having personally cognizant of the facts, the transaction spoken of Mr. Beaty having taken place at Selma, where he resides and he certainly should know more of the facts.

The conduct of Judge Taylor since his arrival in this district has been so scandalous, that all agree upon this point, that Judge Taylor for sheer right impudicity is the worst that ever took office in Alabama; and the democrats; on every occasion thought attempted the conduct of Judge Taylor, with favorites strike point would rend him forthwith as also a dangerous official who is active and tolerated as long as that Judge Taylor dominate himself.

All people here irrespective of party, are heartily disgusted and outrage that it can be that such officials are not peremptorily removed from office. Judge Taylor is so violently addicted to attend office, at that it certainly interferes with the performance of the duties of his office. I have seen his interlocutors on the bench while holding the June term of court at Mobile, Alabama, hearing over the entire time of the said June term, the public while off the bench was in a stupor of intoxication. I and others here have seen him reeling drunk on the street, have seen him fall on the pavement in order to avoid falling. I have as well as others seen public prostitutes of Judge Taylor and seeing from his bedroom, at all times the Judge's family being then all right for them being quartered in the better of the residences part of the town, and generally esteemed himself in a manner by the most discreet and elders of the community, so that respectable people honour the act of the term studiously avoided him the people here do not ask that a man should be of moral character, but they believe in getting a limit. The Judge would carouse all night until late in the morning and sometimes be accompanied with strumpets and then sleep an hour or two before taking his seat on the bench, when under such circumstances his own reasons his utterances must have been clouded and befogged, that could not be clear to administer justice, as he required of an an important and responsible office.

You must bear in mind that the U. S. District Judge for Alabama has more power and greater responsibility resting upon him than any other Judge under the President's administration. Since the district court have true original jurisdiction and in law and equity cases, where in the amount involven is less than ~~five~~ ten thousand dollars, his decision is final for no appeal or writ of error lies from his decision, and that fact makes the U. S. District court of Alabama practically the court of original and last resort, for as you know, there

is hardly one case out of fifty brought in this court, wherein the amount involved exceeds the sum of $2000 and for that reason it is so important that we have a judge who will keep a clear head and spend more of his time in studying and examining cases brought before him, than in pitiless labor.

At the last fifth term (October last) the Judge exhibited himself as on former occasions, having been drunk during the term on several occasions being up nearly all night and in the morning attempting to dispense justice, his appearance on the bench clearly showing the condition of his body and night after his night's debauch.

Many of the most disgraceful and vile stories concerning Judge Hughes came current here, however I cannot personally vouch for their truthfulness, yet they are published and spoken of by men who, I do certain state believe them true or else they would not repeat them, however if the stories are false, then all I can say is that Judge Hughes by his own conduct confirms such persons in their belief of the truth of such rumors and stories.

Judge Hughes has outlived his usefulness here, the people of Alaska have lost all respect for the man, yet have retained respect for the office.

The President cannot afford to let this state of affairs continue, the embarrassment he suffers more than he is aware of, as the country fully sees every decision the supreme court of Alaska makes it a point to meet all the criticisms and charges against the Judge in the severest sensational language with unfavorable criticisms of the different officials and interviews of "Alaska Tourists" in the newspapers everywhere.

When I write the sincerity shows, it is a matter of serious moment. Mr. Heney's proposition that the President order Mr. Vanderlip to Washington to report in person, I think is a good suggestion since there will be no harm if court will have day, as it will into vogue time. Mr. Pettypaugh appointment as clerk of this District gives universal satisfaction. All who have met him speak highly of him, knowledge of no discrediting opinion and I am in a position to know. If we could get a judge of his stripe it would be a blessing to Alaska.

This letter is for you, but if you should see fit to show it to the President you have my permission, for if the investigation concerning Judge Hughes could be done through Mr. Vanderlip it would greatly avoid a scandal to the administration in newspapers.

Very respectfully,

John T. Petty.

San Francisco, Cal.
Dec. 17, 1850

My dear Dearborn-

After a great deal of searching and running about town I have at last got your slides accomplished. Mr. Faber promises to let us have them in a week from date. You asked for 12, but on after looking over and selecting, I could not see how you could get along with less than 18 and I have ordered that number, that is 18 are now being prepared from numerous photographs in my possession. The views will be from photographs taken this year if they are any different from views already selected. I could get no views of [illegible] down, but those taken by Mr. Ayers I am told develops fairly well so I will send you slides from his views if I judge them suitable. I hope the delay will cause you no embarrassment. I saw Captain Hawkins yesterday. Interested him in the matter and as he goes to Washington shortly I know he will be of assistance to you.

I have not written to any Congressmen as yet; am waiting to hear more fully from you. I preferred to know exactly how the thing stood and how I approach them on the subject. Mar-ing not my brother, he will talk you at Spencer Read's approval of the scheme as well as that of Campbell Graham's. Should you prepare the necessary forms I could suggest that delivery would be best. From Capt. Stewart's letter I would judge, he was running short of funds. If so he too wished to ask your assistance in the matter of helping to procure the needed appropriation for the service my brother's acquaintance with [illegible] may be my excuse for asking you to help him all you can. I hope [illegible] reached your visit to Portland. Tell me did you discover any attempts at forms on the Yaquina such as many think Petticks Hastings have.

We are making arrangements now for receiving the Guard. Capt. Hawkins and he say that any suggestions you may have in view about erecting asylums in the north should be communicated them. I have asked Captain Stockton to endorse Mr. Stevenson for keeper of Pt Pedro station at Point Reyes. I shall do so later, my delay is for the reason that I wish at the proper time to call Capt. Attention to Stevenson's endorsement. It appears to me now that we shall have a busy of work to do next winter. I am presuming that we both are going again, we can get through all the work if either an energetic corps of officers. My present first will not do. Later I shall write Captain Sheperd, why we should wait early. I have information of secreted whiskey at Hood Point Perhaps about $30,000 worth of whole hogs is supposed to be on it. Immense island from the wrecked bark Ellis everybody will make a desperate effort to get there first; the latter should be there to stop the landing or sale of whiskey.

Don't forget trying to have the law in regard to [illegible] the fire arms surrendered.

I started to write you a few words, and I find I have written a long page with lots yet unsaid that I have in mind. Mrs. Healy joins me in happy remembrance to you. Wishing you a merry Christmas, I am

Sincerely,

T. A. Healy.

Dan Frazier, Col.

My dear Doctor Jacobson:

I wrote you a long letter yesterday. I have only a word today to say that I have just heard that a Mr. Ferguson has gone East for the purpose of attending the petition of lawyer of Indian station at Warren Point. It would be a worse appointment than Dawson. I wish you would prevent the appointment if for no other reason than for the benefit of the natives. I have written to Shepard, about as I write here. I wonder if Stevenson can't help the best appointment that could be made, you know Stevenson's worth, but perhaps not Democratic enough. Anyhow there is no other place to select from. [illegible] else would be the worse place to select from.

Very sincerely,

T. A. Healy.

T. C. Torrance Stamper Dean.

Dan Francisco, Cal.

Dec. 17, 1910

Hon. Charles Jackson,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of 14th inst. came to hand yesterday and a few minutes after dictating my reply note of that date, I called at the store of T. Lilienthal & Co. In regard to the letter you spoke of, they have forwarded our letter for you at their office, regarding the non arrival with Dr. Dettitoun's statement to you. Report has it that he brought down with him from the Islands several hundred thousand dollars in gold dust to any great extent upon the white cash. I trust that you will success in procuring the appointment of Dr. Stevenson as Keeper to U. Warren statistics. It would in my opinion be a very good appointment in every respect.

I am not certain but what it would be more certain of success if the aid of Congress were delayed another year, in regard to [illegible] being certain of Government aid for 1912. We could thoroughly prosper and plan this year and consume

operations in '42 intelligently. This year could be given to the erection of schools and returning plans for the introduction and taking care of animals later on, still delays are dangerous and iron should be welded while hot.

I notice what you say of Willett's plans. I am hardly believe that the Secretary entering the [illegible] existing between the Government Agents and that of the Company's will decide upon a policy to persons for next year shall open if. Willett Report.

A select commission should be chosen to verify and trim down his statements before accepting the issue. I am of the opinion that the Islanders stand a reduced catch of seals from former years, and that it would be better will arrange for the seals, the Government and the people, a property interested rights in the Islands and if steps taken to look forward to could I think do more to perpetuate small life than would obtain under Government agents, whose care and strength would at best be preparatory. While the seals were scarce, very scarce I don't believe as I told you on the vessel occurred in one single year, later in the fall there were more seals on the island than during the summer. You know as much about these matters as anybody. I wish you would have a talk with the Secretary on the subject if you have a chance.

I did intend to make a special investigation of the rookeries in the fall, but owing to the very bitter feeling between the agents and being attacked while on the [illegible] I thought best to start my [illegible] disposition and stay out of sight.

In talking with Mr. [illegible] yesterday I mentioned to him the hard struggle Mr. and Mrs. Todd were going to experience for lack of means and communication, he asked me to say to you that he intended sending a vessel up to Pt. and will do all he possibly can to help in the way of freighting and only that but that you will find in the A. C. Co. a very liberal contribution. I guess outside is people more like to be asked to bring help and money from them. Reports have it today that Webster landed on it. Paul's island, I feel sad over it; we did all we could to secure the islands, however to protect the island property, they should have the competent guard about, as best.

Your skins are ready and will be done shortly, they will cost about a dollar apiece. If you could inform me of the policy to be pursued in Alaska matters next year. What are your intentions? Who is to command the Rush? If I am to go forward another year I could do many things that would help out the next year's cruise that I am relieved from lack of information to pay no attention to. There is a report current amongst the officers here that I may visit Washington this winter but I hope not.

You know how averse I am to writing, but I am typewriter

as you have. I would be more able to give you an intelligent letter. I notice that you say in speaking of Elliott "that he claims" I infer from that, that you do not consider him a George Washington. He is very considerate to have given you the schools.

Mrs. Healy and Fred are both well. I am fairly well.

When you mature your plans for next year keep me advised that is if we are again to be obligating. You may expect many letters from me, and I hope they will not bore you. One can say so little even in a letter of this length, that to keep posted necessitates frequent writing.

Wishing you a merry Christmas,

I am sincerely yours,

L. A. Healy.

San Francisco, Cal.
Dec. 23rd, 1900

My Dear Foster Jennings-

I write to wish you all the joy of this festive season. I have been waiting rather to finish the pictures as soon as possible. We received them for the Fair last. but one failed to keep its promise. We assured us that they will be ready positively on the 31st. They will be sent immediately to you.. I could not find the negatives. Taber, however, made negatives from pictures in my possession and from that got up the slides, about 30 in number. I would not say sure you could have gotten along with less. Taber makes them at half price. As a piece of three pictures I have been unable as yet to procure any. I have seen some of the duplicate pictures. They turn out well generally but I see none more applicable for slides than those I have already selected, except one on the Yuma reindeer. I shall have a slide made from that I sent you. I hope by extra haste your approval. Then you have returned your plans let me know for I am busy now and I will be glad to do that I can. We have laid the base up for the winter in wooden forts. Hinton and Worrell are the only officers remaining. I sent a copy of my letter in reindeer to Capt. Stratton with a request that he would indorse it. He has gone so and that forwarded it to me Mr. Walsh. Perhaps you know the gentleman. I do not.

Wolfe is reporting it agreed that he has received all necessary legislation, and finds it necessary for the introduction of the reindeer into Alaska, the sum secured is $10,000 and that be. Wolfe, is to have a prominent place in the force to be selected to carry out the project. I do not advise but I would say as little to him as possible, sure I the prime mover in this scheme. Of course I do not believe a

single word of what he says and only repeat it to you for what it is worth. I hear that a lively fight is being waged by the Aeco. and N A C Co in regard to the Fox Islands. I am much obliged for your diplomatic handling of the bear skin etc.

So far everything is working well with me and the Post, and I trust that things will so shape themselves as to permit the completion this year projected, enterprises of last year, taking in detail and as funds will permit. A few years will see much improvement in the habits and condition of the Esquimaux.

Again wishing you a merry Christmas and happy New Year,

I am ever,

H. D. Bell.

San Francisco, Cal.
Dec. 31st, 1870

My dear Doctor Jackson:-

I have your favor of the 27th inst. I have just returned from Mr. Gibbs's. The aliens are all drugs and will be exported to this coast. I hope you will [illegible] the seizure. There will be a lively fight in Congress. I hear that a bill is now before the House of Representatives to prohibit the importation of liquors into Alaska. I am afraid it will pass, having the fear of paper that will think will allow up until, having the fear of paper that will [illegible] to his being allowed to make exceptions from the [illegible] I am not at all sure of the same relinquishment [illegible] were made by another one. Mr. Lowry having given the privilege to a one horse artist. I was obliged to obtain the aliens from him. I [illegible] for Glass myself. If they do not suit, [illegible] and I shall have other make out others or if you wish any particular [illegible] there. I will procure them for you. I would get [illegible] from Lowry concerning the customs, and relation of the natives with whites. I believe I have told you this before. I hope I may get a good set of officers next year, between you and I, and between the lines. Influence in Washington will [illegible] anything in reason I shall be grateful to you not a phase of action in regard to the reindeer transportation. You know how slow and uncertain the natives are to deal with. How little we actually know of the difficulties, and the difficulties to be encountered etc. Everything will have to be experimental. I would say first make ready to receive and then care of the deer. Say where to land them etc. My idea was and is to make St. Lawrence Is. A depot to receive and export from. If we get the deer there you could ship other points at discretion. A Capt of A. C. Co. was telling me the other day that he had placed upon Bering Is. about 12 years ago about 2 dozen reindeer. He says that there are over 200 there today. Forever in all

these matters I would prefer to be the executive rather than the minister. In any way you may depend upon my best endeavors. I write in haste, wishing you a very happy new year.

I am, very sincerely,

[illegible] Hardy.

P. S. I think it would be better outside things before for me to visit Washington, although I would not like the trip. It would be more satisfactory, there is so much to say that one must think of in a moment or think of intelligently on paper. Perhaps communicated otherwise.

E. A. H.

New York, N. Y.,

March 4th, 1889.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
No. 121 South Hanover,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of February 7th, and also beg to thank you for the little wood carvings which I received a few days before coming here.

I am now again in New York and hoping, as I said in my former quarters in our village in these places. I should be pleased to see you at any time when you will find me at either of these places, and now I also you to understand my desires in reference to the matters of which you write.

It is quite easy to put large iron buildings and everything that into human life, and people generally take to the idea of having a material representation of them - I do not share in this desire, and particularly when one has to make on the surface any manifestations of what I am doing underneath. What I wish to have done in Alaska is to help you to start a form of industry to which those natives are especially adapted, and to assist in their development in what might be called, the line of least resistance - They show much aptitude for carving in wood and stone and ivory, that I am sure you would furnish a system of training with improved tools and methods, which would enable them to create a more industry for themselves. Of course this involves much care later on your part and on the part of your associates, than to build a building, but it is principally that labor which I wish to obtain and encourage. I have no desire to have an "Abbot Museum", or anything with my name attached to it - I therefore, hope that you will not give up your efforts to find a teacher or teachers or persons, who can organize this system and method of instruction in carving.

This is what I spoke to you about when I was in Alaska.

what I have been waiting to hear from you was if it had gotten under way - I hope you will find somebody who will actually organize such a school. I would be willing to pay say, $200. a year for five years to come, and to properly secure the payment of that sum if every dollar of the money is to be applied in the expense of instruction with laboratory apparatus suited to that particular industry.

You money which goes into human life, and the improved developed powers of those natives is expended in a manner very useful in my judgment, but unattractive to most people - there is no talk of elaborate buildings or anything more than you have at present for this purpose, and wish you would devise some plan of utilizing my interest in this matter. I will frankly say that I should prefer to put the $1,000. which you ask for into some form of human life in some other part of the country, rather than merely to erect a building for a museum in Utica. I look upon all surplus funds which any man controls as properly a trust to be applied as judiciously and thoughtfully in good uses as he uses the money for the pleasure and support of his family.

I hope to hear from you that you will be able to carry out these ideas, and at any rate shall always be glad to hear from you and confer with you in these matters.

Believe me with much regard both from myself and Mrs. Abbot

Yours very sincerely,

Edwin H. Abbot.

P. S. My family is residing at No. 19 Oxford Street, Cambridge. If you have never visited Harvard College, it would give me great pleasure to see you there some time, and my son who used will be in Alaska is now in his junior year at Cambridge.

Revenue Marine Service,
Washington, D. C.

Captain Hoppard,
Dear Sir:

While in San Francisco I met Hon. S. T. Porter, U.S. Marshal for the District of Alaska. In a conversation concerning matters and things in Alaska he told me what I knew better than he, of the difficulty the officials experienced in accomplishing anything for want of transportation. Ostensibly the Jesse is stationed there for that purpose but practically she is of no use. It has been very seldom that the officials here had an opportunity of sailing on her and then only in summer when the native villages are deserted. In the fall she drops down for the winter and has declined to move when so requested by the Governor. It would have been of great service to the Government and great good to Northwest Alaska if the native villages could be visited about the holidays when all are at home, and when inducements are offered to their arrest. The visit of such a line of a Revenue vessel would be very salutary. That again there has been no time in the history of the country when there was so much smuggling of liquors going on as now and two or three cruises during the winter with the following of natives as hoped would be of great service.

As it will probably be another season before the Government gets his vessel, it seems very important that some effort be made to have the Jesse relieved by a vessel that can remain in Bering Sea and Northwest Alaska the winter through. A vessel of the Jesse's class could not do this. She could not remain in Bering Sea from November to April. She could not get from Bering Sea even to Sitka in the winter. She could not get to Port Townsend in the winter. She could not get to San Francisco in the winter. She could not get to Mare Island in the winter. She could not get to Seattle in the winter. She could not get to Portland in the winter. She could not get to Astoria in the winter. She could not get to Tacoma in the winter. She could not get to Olympia in the winter. She could not get to Spokane in the winter. She could not get to Walla Walla in the winter. She could not get to Lewiston in the winter. She could not get to Boise in the winter. She could not get to Salt Lake in the winter. She could not get to Ogden in the winter. She could not get to Denver in the winter. She could not get to Omaha in the winter. She could not get to Chicago in the winter. She could not get to New York in the winter. She could not get to Boston in the winter. She could not get to Portland in the winter. She could not get to Bangor in the winter. She could not get to Augusta in the winter. She could not get to Concord in the winter. She could not get to Montpelier in the winter. She could not get to Albany in the winter. She could not get to Trenton in the winter. She could not get to Harrisburg in the winter. She could not get to Dover in the winter. She could not get to Annapolis in the winter. She could not get to Richmond in the winter. She could not get to Raleigh in the winter. She could not get to Columbia in the winter. She could not get to Atlanta in the winter. She could not get to Montgomery in the winter. She could not get to Jackson in the winter. She could not get to Baton Rouge in the winter. She could not get to Austin in the winter. She could not get to Little Rock in the winter. She could not get to Jefferson City in the winter. She could not get to Topeka in the winter. She could not get to Lincoln in the winter. She could not get to Des Moines in the winter. She could not get to Madison in the winter. She could not get to Lansing in the winter. She could not get to Columbus in the winter. She could not get to Indianapolis in the winter. She could not get to Springfield in the winter. She could not get to Frankfort in the winter. She could not get to Nashville in the winter. She could not get to Jackson in the winter. She could not get to Baton Rouge in the winter. She could not get to Austin in the winter. She could not get to Little Rock in the winter. She could not get to Jefferson City in the winter. She could not get to Topeka in the winter. She could not get to Lincoln in the winter. She could not get to Des Moines in the winter. She could not get to Madison in the winter. She could not get to Lansing in the winter. She could not get to Columbus in the winter. She could not get to Indianapolis in the winter. She could not get to Springfield in the winter. She could not get to Frankfort in the winter. She could not get to Nashville in the winter.

A Revenue Marine vessel has greater availability than a naval vessel. She represents public service, rather than war or preparedness.

The Bear being a steamer vessel can move around safely at any time.

Work in Bering Sea in summer and Northwest Alaska in winter would enable the vessel and officers some of better record and greatly popularize the service with Congress and the general public. Objections in Congress who are always trying to cut down appropriations could not be raised when the facts and figures were too easy to get and point to use of the Jesse up in the Northwestern Service every winter.

The Alaska officials through their friends in Congress could easily have the appropriation increased to cover the additional cost.

For these reasons we ask that the Department may assign Captain Healy instructions that when his service is over in Western Alaska, that he shall proceed to Northwest Alaska and winter there.

Bureau of Education
Washington, D.C., May 5, 1890.

Dr.Sheldon Jackson:
c/o Charles H. Wells, Esq.
#10 California Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:-
Your letter of April 26th from San Francisco is received to-day, the day on which you expect to sail from Seattle on your long voyage.
I am glad to learn that you met Captain Stanton in California and made arrangements for building the schoolhouses and conveying teachers to the remote Arctic points in which we feel so deep an interest. The plan of utilizing the Government building at Point Barrow is certainly a good one.
I have signed a number of vouchers for Alaska salaries that arrived this morning and among them one for the small balance of your April pay which will be sent to Mrs.Jackson.
Dr.Dolphus and your other friends here send their kind regards and best wishes for a prosperous voyage.
Receipt of this letter may reach you at no very distant day and find you in good health. I am
Very truly yours,
W.T.Harris, Commissioner.

Bureau of Education
Washington, D.C.,
August 23, 1890

Dr.Sheldon Jackson,
General Agent for Education,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-
In summarizing the expenditures of the Alaska fund for 1890, I find that the following teachers reported to be engaged for that year have not been paid for their services.
Mr.John Tuck, Unalaska, salary, $1000.
Miss Virginia Doe, Kowak, engaged for 6 months at
500
Mr.H.S.Barrett, Klawack, salary 720
Mr.W.S.Reid, Haines 720
Please inform me if these schools were in operation during the year, and if so see that the vouchers of the teachers are sent forward at once for payment.
It is known that Mr.Tuck was in service, but he has not sent on his vouchers or communicated in any way with the Office.
Hoping to hear from you of your safe return from a successful trip,
Very truly yours, W.T.Harris.

1891.

Dear Sir:

At the last meeting of the Executive Commitee of the Indian Rights Association, held at the office Hon. Wayne MacVeagh, you were duly elected a member of the Association.

The entrance fee and dues are now payable to the Treasurer, Mr C.Stuart Patterson, No. 40 South Third St., and the constitution,-a copy of which is enclosed- may be signed, at your convenience, at the office of the Secretary, No. 404 Locust Street.

Very respectfully yours,
Official: H.Morris.
Secretary.

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Meeting for 1921, at Toronto, Canada, July 14-17.

Executive Office,
Nashville, Tenn.
Jan. 7, 1921.

Hon. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the N.E.A., the President and Secretary were authorized to appoint managers for the several States and Territories, who should be especially charged with the work of organizing and directing the efforts for securing a large attendance at the next meeting.

In accordance with the authority vested in us, and reposing confidence in your ability, energy and zeal, we hereby appoint you manager for the Association for the Territory of Alaska. You will please call to your aid a Committee of from three to five persons, including all resident directors of the N.E.A., and it is confidently believed that you and your Committee will put forth a constant and organized effort to secure a full attendance at the next meeting, which will be held at Toronto, JULY 14-17, 1921, and

Railroad companies and hotels are requested to extend to you the courtesies which are usually granted to our Officers and Representatives, and which will be fully returned in the results of your labors in your State. Your Committee will report to Inspector James L.Hughes, Chairman of the Local Executive Committee, Toronto, Canada.

Very Cordially yours,
W.R.Garrett, President.

E.H.Cook, Secretary.

From Mrs Elliott V.S[illegible], 3 West Fifty-second St. New York.

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Dear Dr Jackson,

I enclose check for $125.00 for Henry Phillips and hope he will reach Sitka safely.

Wishing you a happy New Year.

Very truly yours,

Jan.1. M.I.-Sheppard.

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625 Maryland Ave.,N.E.
Washington, D.C.
Jan.6,1891.

Rev.Sheldon Jackson,D.D.
United States Bureau of Education.
Dear Sir and Brother,

You are kind to urge acceptance of the invitation for the meeting at the Riggs House tomor row, and also to offer to call upon us again. I have ever since regretted that I was not at home when you visited us, and preached for us at Cooperstown,N.Y., so long ago.

I have been deeply interested in your work, and if nothing prevents will be glad to attend the meeting tomorrow, and anticipate with pleasure a call, at your convenience. I take the liberty to enclose my card.

Yours fraternally,
G.R.Alden.

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give us more direct information upon this point?
Another; in regard to the preserving of food. How is the deer hunting done? and at what season? Is fishing, of course, is done through the summer. In your own book of Alaska I find much valuable help in regard to the physical advantages of that region. But I have thought it might be interesting to our ladies to find in the sketch which I am preparing, something of the moral conditions of the Indians previous to Christian influences. Also some direct information regarding their manner of procuring their subsistence. I am glad to know that I shall have the pleasure of meeting Mrs Willard of Forest Hills shortly. The inspiration I am sure to receive from her, will be of great value in the fulfillment of the task imposed upon me. Her book has aided me greatly in my search for knowledge upon the work in Alaska. Any information upon this interesting field which you may choose to impart, will be most gratefully received.

Hoping to hear from you as soon as you can give the subject your attention, I remain

Very Respectfully.
Mrs A.F.Miller.

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care to become a member, and your name will be dropped. The Society is organized in FOUR SECTIONS with a vice president assigned to each as its chairman. These are as follows: Section A. Semiology; Section B. Sociology; Section C.Philology, Philosophy and Psychology; Section D. Technology.

Members who desire to read papers should communicate with the vice-president of the section to which the subject appertains. Early notice will facilitate the proper arrangement of programs.

Faithfully yours,
Weston Flint,
Secretary to the Council.

To Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Bureau of Education,
City.

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Rev. Sheldon Jackson,D.D.
My Dear Dr Jackson,

The ladies of our church are very desirious to hear your account of your recent journey to the Artic Ocean; and have requested me to write and ask you if it will be possible for you to be with them at a missionary meeting they wish to hold the coming month. Our little town is on the direct line between New York and Washington. The B.& O. road running through it, and the Pennsylvania a mile to the south.

They would like to arrange to have their meeting the early part of the month, (excepting the 5th. or 6th.) But if you think it will be in your power to be with them, will gladly defer it to a later date.

Yours cordially,
(Mrs J.J.) E.L.Wilcox.

Newark, Delaware.
Wednesday, Jan. 14th.

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Augusta, Maine.
Jan.16, 1891.

Dr Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

I today mail you one Journey Echoes. I am much gratified at your kind words of congratulation on our proposed work in Alaska. I shall take pleasure in giving it to our Echo readers. Will you kindly answer the enclosed note to me?, so I may pass it on to others. If any time you have any public documents on Alaska I should be exceedingly glad to see them.

Most respectfully,
Mrs Anna S.Hunt.

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Afognak, Alaska.
Jan. 18,1891.

Dr Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education,
Washington,D.C.
Dear Sir:

Enclosed I send you a copy of a letter to the

Collector at Kidisk which will explain itself. Mr Tolemon answered this letter heartily endorsing what I had done, and authorising me to do as proposed if necessary. Not long after he found several cases of scrofoe in the possession of the C Chinamen in the employ of the Royal Packing Company, which he seized. But upon their making a show of resistance he gave it all back to them. And when the steamer arrived, soon after, she brought to these same Chinamen several dozen cases more, as one of the officers of the steamer told me, and as the manager of the Packing Company also admitted to me. The Chinamen do not use the scrofoe themselves, with their meals, or otherwise, as you can see to what extent it is sold here to debauch and demoralise these unfortunate natives. And the great curse of it all falls heaviest upon the unhappy children. Something should be done, and done at once, if the Government is in earnest about making these much needed schools a success. One illiterate foreign can counteract the good influence of a school that has cost the Government three or four thousand dollars in the last year. And what can we do but be silent And then time goes on and nothing is done to support us, such wrong doers are emboldened to do worse. The natives themselves, and the children are all right. But they are as likely to listen to one white man as another. And an ignorant foreigner who has nothing to do but go from house to house and tell the people, "That we can not compell the children to go to school." can give a teacher an endless amount of trouble. Is there no law by which such partiescan be sent out of the country, on principle? I think the people of the United States would have a poor opinion of us if they knew that we allowed men who have not been in the country two years to oppose the schools with impunity. The country is filling up with the lowest kind of characters. I have had no particular trouble, but it is too much to ask of a teacher to combat these influences single-handed and alone.

The school is doing grandly.

Truly,

Jean Duff.

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Copy.

Afognak, Alaska.
May. 4,1890.

J.C.Coleman,Esq:
U.S. Dept. Collector.
Kadiak, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Today two Chinamen from Aleknak were passing through this village selling a kind of alcohol, or whiskey they are said to manufacture from it and rice, called samsoo. While I was searching one of them,the other started off. I called to him to stop, but that made him go all the faster, until, persuaded by the time I was making, and the rocks that were flying about his head, he raced down to the waters edge,and threw the sack he had on his shoulder into the bay. It turned out to be six bottles of samshoo,which I recovered. After a little delay I got a gun and started to arrest them. They took to the swamp and brush back of the village. I came back and hurried up along the beach,intending to cut off their retreat at the north end of the town and secure their boat. But they got into the open ground first, and by dint of hard running, regained their boat and got off some distance, before I came up. I hold this stuff subject to your orders. These two Chinamen, I am almost sure can be indentified. At least there is no question as to whose boats they are in this traffic along the shores to the various villages. Or whose buildings they keep it stored in. Or whose steamers bring it to the country. I am told that a vigorous search would likely discover their stock on hand. You can see from the boldness of these two coming to my very door with a load of contraband goods, what they are likely to be doing in those other small places near the Commons.

In the Aleute part of this place there are fifteen or twenty children who have been on the point of starvation for the last six weeks. And would have starved but for the kindness of others. Because last year these Chinamenwere allowed to peddle this whiskey out to the people without let or hindrance. Getting all their wages,and keeping them drunk when they should have been putting up their winters supply of fish. You know these silly-minded people cannot take care of themselves when tempted with drink. And it interferes greatly with the success of the school, for ten or twelve of the pupils to be obliged to forage every day for themselves,

and something to take home to the rest. Since these people
[illegible] on the Carnegies I have gone into houses, looking af-
ter children, who had heretofore attended school with reason-
able regularity, and found both parents dead drunk on the
floor, and the poor children, half fed, and half clothed, shiv
ering in the corners. I was not here last summer. But Mr
Tolman, rather than close my eyes and quietly permit this in-
famy to be re-enacted this season, after what I have seen and
what I know if there is no <u>better way</u> to bring this thing for
cibly to the attention of the authorities, I will attack the
Mongolian hordes every time they appear in this locality en-
gaged in this outrageous business. And if fatal consequen-
ces ensue I will take the chances of a public investigation
justifying my conduct, and bringing to light one of the most
shameful and disgraceful violations of law that was <u>ever</u> per-
petrated in <u>any</u> country, much less in our own fair land, under
the good old Stars and Stripes.

Very truly yours,
John Duff.

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PUBLIC LEDGER.
S.W. Corner 6th. & Chestnut Sts.
Philadelphia, Penn.
Jan.24,1901.

My Dear Sir:

Your kind letter has been received. I intend to go to Washington within a short time. I will be very happy to see the Commissioner of Education, and yourself, while there, and give you all the information I possess.

Very truly yours,
Paul B.Du Chaillu.

Sheldon Jackson,Esq.
Washington,D.C.

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Carmel, Kushogak River, Alaska.
Jan.28th.1901.

Dr Jackson,
Dear Sir:

. I herewith send you the monthly school reports from August to December 1900,inclusive. I have not time to write a lengthy report this writing. I would only say that we put up a new building for the school this last fall,which will be finished this spring. The building is 26 x30. One and one half stories high. When the Russian priest saw our progress in the new building he put forth every effort to keep his people from attending our school. The result was that most all our efforts to get scholars for the school proved fruitless. There are but very few people here who donot belong to the Russian church, and even if there are any who would like to send their children to school, they are persecuted so badly by the rest that it makes it a difficult matter. We cannot understand that our government permits a few Greek priests to keep thousands of souls, one generation after another, in ignorance and heathenism.

These children learn very readily, and make good scholars, some of them quite bright. No doubt if they were let alone, they would soon become respectable citizens. But as it is now, as soon as they get a fair start, and have been under the civilising influence for a few months, or a year or so, they are forced away from us and taken back into their old heathen way of living. And we have no power to prevent it. All labor and money spent on such children seems lost. All the children that we have had in school this winter are boarders. There are from fifteen to twenty children of school age in the village here, which is only several hundred yards from our school house, who are not allowed to come. Last winter the Greek priest and the trading agent were both away,in San Francisco, so we had no trouble in getting those children.

With best regards from us all,I remain
Respectfully yours,
F.H.Wolff

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Northwestern University,
Jackson, Alaska.
Jan.30,1897.

Dr Jackson,

Today ends the fifth month of this term, and so far it has gone nicely.

A chief came from Kasan before Christmas to invite all the Kydalu belonging to the Crow family to go to Kasan, as he had $1000.00 (one thousand dollars to give away to them,) Of course that is not true. But he is going to have a big potlatch, and will give away some money, and a good deal of calico; dishes, blankets, etc. The Kasan chief and the friends that came with him, stayed until a couple of weeks ago, when they returned taking the larger portion of our people. So school is smaller now. Our people will return in two or three weeks.

Do you remember, when you were here you gave me permission to get married? I was married Christmas evening, but would like to still remain my situation.

We have had no cold weather yet, but expect it to come.

A couple of months ago my brother wrote a petition to the Commissioner at Washington in favor of you, and all the white people at [illegible] signed it.

I have no blanks for monthly reports. Have written for some, but have not received them. I also have sent for pens, but they have not come. I have some stubs, but dont like them, and the pupils are inclined to write too heavy any way.

With kind regards to yourself, I am

Yours S.H Lee.

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give us more pleasure. Many are already very much interested in that distant field of labor; and you would no doubt see an audience of 1500 people, if circumstances were favorable. If you can promise to be here at a given time, I will set myself to work to secure the largest church in town to be at your command, and will see that your coming is well advertised. Please state what your terms will be for the service indicated, and oblige

Yours respectfully,
Mrs E.E.Marcey.

P.S. Our town lies 18 miles north of Chicago, with hourly trains, so that there will be no inconvenience in a stopover, on accountof long delay.

E.E.M.

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WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY.
For Home Missions.

Rockford,Ill. Jan.30,1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,D.D.
Dear Sir;

I have followed with great interest your experiences in our Northern possessions, ever since coming so near going there myself, when Mrs Haines, of sainted memory, went. A classmate, and very devoted friend of my sainted mother, she almost persuaded me to go with her on that trip. Verily, ever since then, "what hath God wrought!" among that people. Can I secure through your kindly aid the pamphlet on English-Eskimo and Eskimo-English" also any other issues of the Department pertaining to that wonderful country? As Presbyterial President, and Chairman of Synodical Committee, it behooves me to keep as fully posted as possible as to developments. I have so often wished that you were one of the Home Mission Secretaries, in place of one now there, or an additional member. To your addresses are due much of my own keen interest in Home Mission work, and also to the old . "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian," quite a file of which, I still have for occasional reference. Trusting you will excuse if my requests are too much, or to the wrong one, so as to occasion you any trouble.

Yours in the Master's cause, any and everywhere,

Miss Mary E.Holmes,Ph.D.
201 S.1st. St. Rockford,Ill.

Will you be anywhere in this section early in April, so that by any means we could get a glimpse of you, and be touched by your intense devotion, at our Presbyterian Meeting?

M.M.H.

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Postmaster. This will give him more honor than the other, even if mails are received only once an age. We will give all facilities for "lock boxes," "drawers" etc., in the great Jesse Lee Home free of cost to Goverment!! Well, I mean it. Why not let the mails be put in bags as to other places, locked and delivered to Mr Tuck as Postmaster? And let him see all mail matter to be returned, is properly locked, and made safe, to be opened only at San Francisco. Then we will send all our mail and merchandise (that now goes to Joppa by any troop steamer that comes along,) and all, to Hon. J.A. Tuck". There may be valid reasons why not, but I wish you would try for it.

Hastily.
Mrs Daggett.

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(Have an engagement out of the city for that date. Will be glad to go some other time. Memorandum. S.J.)

No.1330 11th. St.N.W.
Washington, D.C.
February,13,1891.

Dr Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education.
Dear Sir:

I have been requested to ask you if you will kindly tell about "Alaska and the Alaskans," at the next meeting of the "Working Girl's Association" to be held on the evening of the 25th. of this month, at the "Wimaughsis" Building, No.1400 G.St. N.W.

An early answer will greatly oblige,

Yours respectfully,
Mary L.Taylor
Chairman Program Committee.

P.S. Have you heard from Mrs. Kelsey regarding her encyclopedia?

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Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
Cincinnati, Ohio.
Feb.14th.1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education,
Washington,D.C.

Dear Dr Jackson,

I write to learn if you will be passing through Cincinnati within the next few months, and if so, if it would be agreeable to you to make one or more addresses in the city on Alaskan and Indian affairs, in case arrangements can be made at the time that it will be convenient for you to be here. My understanding is that you will pass through this section on your way to the Northwest.

Very sincerely your friend,
R.S.Rust.

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you of his whereabouts. Brother Feodorf went, in accordance with the letter you wrote him, to Karluk, as the Karluk teacher did not come. We have not received a letter from them, but there has been only one chance to send a letter over here. The men told me that they were getting the boys to come pretty well, but that the people did not want to send the girls. We have, thank God, recovered from that awful sickness. Poor Grace could not walk for over two months. I have had rheumatism for over two months, but am nearly well now.

I send school reports up to February. I have not heard from Mr Duff for a long time. We have had some terribly windy weather. Almost a hurricane one night. A band of reprobates have made excitement this winter. One manwent insane. After you left last fall, I was told by two parties that there was a conspiracy to hang that man, if the wounded man died, and we did not send him,--the murderer--to Sitka. However, I may have been censured in Sitka. My pupils are learning, but many of the parents are awfully mean about keeping the children out of school. And these holidays!! And then the Nenes days!!

Mrs Roscoe joins in sending love to yourself and family.

Very truly yours,
W.H.Roscoe.

P.S. I have just learned that Mr Warth is dead. You remember his wife died last summer. I hope it may be possible for you to get a good Baptist and his wife for Afognak next year. We know you will do all you ca n to get our Industrial School started at Wood Island.

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Norfolk, Virginia, Feb. 24, 1891.

Hon. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

I expect to be in Washington as soon as this letter. Yours of the 18th. reached me yester-eve. For fear of not reaching Senator Hale in person, I write him by the same mail, enclosing the resolution. If you think I could do more, please drop me a line to Georgetown College.

Yours truly,
James Healy.
Roman Catholic Bishop of Portland Maine.

My Dear Dr Jackson,

I hear through my brother, Rev. Mr Jacobus of Oxford, that you expect to preach for him on Sabbath, Mch. 8th. Mrs Bailey of Harrisburg, writes that you will spend an evening with her in the near future, and I've been wondering if you would not visit us while in this vicinity. I'm very anxious to, increase the interest in Missions, both Home and Foreign, among this people, but feel utterly helpless and powerless. A meeting of the ladies is to be called next week Wednesday, March 11th., to hear the Societies Annual Reports, and also to re-orangnize. Would it be possible for you to run out from Harrisburg? It is only half an hours ride in the cars--and give us one of your thrilling talks? I am confidentit would do us more good than any thing else, and would be blessed of the Lord. If the above mentioned date is not convenient, please name any other, and will be only too glad to call the ladies together when you can meet with us. If possible let me have your answer before the coming Sabbath. as the meeting should be announced at the morning service.

Hoping for a prompt and favorable reply, believe me

Yours respectfully.

Mrs O.B.McCurdy.
c/o Rev.O.B.McCurdy.

Dunnamon, Penn.
March, 3rd.1891.

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Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Cincinnati, Ohio.
March. 3, 1891.

Mr Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

I herewith send you resolution adopted by our Society which explains itself. Our Board will be very glad to arrange for public meeting at such time as will suit your convenience to deliver an address on Alaska, when you are en-route to the Pacific coast.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs F.A.Aiken,
Secretary.

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Woman's Synodical Society,
For Home Missions.

Rockford, Ill., March, 13, 1891.

Rev. SheldonJackson, D.D.
Dear Brother,

Please accept thanks for your prompt reply to my last. If you can reach our Presbyterial Meeting at Polo April 14,- opening at 7 P.M., with a Popular Meeting for Home Missions-- we should be delighted. But if you cannot, when you do come to Chicago, could you not come out to this goodly little city and give us a lecture on Alaska? And if so, on what terms? My Mission Band of young peoplewould take special pains to secure a fine audience. Several from here have been to Alaska, and bring such conflicting reports, and scarcely anything about the people, that I just long for a good, authorative description of the country, and the value of schools among those Indians. No one could gainsay your account, foundel on such intimate acquaintance. The report of an ordinary "tourist" is often worse than none, for effect upon missionary efforts.

May I trouble you for a reply, with a possible date and price--at your earliest convenience.

Yours in Christian work,
Mary E.Holmes.

This little leaflet is in memory partly, of my mother.

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32 East 42nd. St.
New York, March, 11th. 1891.

To the Rev. Dr S. Jackson,
Dear Sir:

Some two years ago I spoke to you, while you were in New York, about addressing a parlor meeting of ladies and gentlemen in our house. You were unable to do so then, but promised, if your engagements permitted, to do so at some future time. Hearing that you are to be in our city on the 17th. I write to ask if you could make it convenient to give this talk here next week during your stay. I can gather a small company only, as our house is not large, but the audience will be appreciative and influential. I have not the pleasure of being personally known to you, but I have often listened with great pleasure to your lectures.

Sincerely yours,
(Mrs Andrew H. Smith)

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to 18th. inclusive, or at any time during that convention, we could give you a few minutes in which to speak to us of Alaska, and I think great good would result.

Ever yours with high regard,

Frances E.Willard.

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son and Vice-president Morton, may I presume to ask for your?

Hoping for a favorable reply, I am

Truly yours,

P.A.Welsh.

I had the pleasure of meeting you at Sitka, in the summer of 1889.

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1526 Spruce St.
Philadelphia, Penn.
April, 25, 1891.

Mr Sheldon Jackson,

Dear Sir:

I have received this morning, your interesting letter, with regard to purchasing the reindeer for Alaska I wish it were in my power to help to the extent you wish in the purchase of the animals. But the churches; the seminary, and the synod, and general council trusts, which I have created, together with many other objects, both public and private, already consume so much of my income, that I could not make my pledge for this object. I could give about two or three hundred dollars, but that is the utmost I could promise

I am so sorry that the carpenter that expected to go to Lawrence Island with his wife, has declined to do so Another carpenter, belonging to our church, has offered to go out with his wife, and put up the buildings, but should return after the summer. And we have as yet secured no missionary for the station. Perhaps the Lord may soon send us another, but I fear we can do nothing this summer toward beginning our work.

I may be away at Atlantic City next week, but should be glad to see you at any other time. I am sorry that my income, although large, has a limit, but it seems to be the case, and I am frequently warned by my Trustees, not to go too far in my contributions.

With kind regards, I remain very truly,

W.S.Vernon.

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50 South Main Street,
Providence, R.I.
April 30,1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.
General Agent of Education for Alaska,
Bureau of Education,
Washington,D.C.

Dear Sir:

Iam in receipt of your favor of the 25,inst., which I have carefully considered. It would not be feasible for me to arrange for a parlor meeting at my house in Providence, as my family move out of town for the summer next week. I will myself give $300. toward the purchase of reindeer for the Alaska Indians, and will send it to such officer of the government as may be authorized to take charge of it. I hope you will be successful in raising a sum sufficient to save these poor Indians from starvation.

Very truly yours,
John Nicholas Brown.

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cept it, provided the Department wishes a change. But Mr Gould filed his bonds, etc, last mail. He would have done so before but had no one to administer the oath. But if you want me, write at once, and I will qualify.

Give my kindest regards to Mrs Jackson. Clara will write you more fully. The launch is waiting to take the mail. Can I do any thing for you here? Do you want any Indian petition on any subject? I am open for any engagement.

Your friend ever,

W.D.Walcol.

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Presbyterian House, 58 Fifth Avenue.

New York, April, 16th. 1891.

Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, acknowledges the receipt of Two Thousand Dollars, from Mrs Elliott F. Shepard, New York City, a/c Point Barrow, Alaska., Per Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Miss S.F.Lincoln.

R. Treasurer.

$2000.00

Checks.

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MAY, 1891.
The Christian Register.
141 Franklin St., Boston, Mass.
May 1st. 1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.
My dear Sir:

I shall be glad to publish the appeal for aid for the Kuskwos, making use of the facts you have sent.
I am

Yours very truly,
S. J. Barrows.

Office of Friend's Review,
S. W. Cor. 5th. & Arch Sts.
Philadelphia, Penn.
May 5, 1891.

Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Respected Friend,

Through a very unusual accident, the particulars received concerning the Esquimaux of Alaska, has been lost. We will be very much obliged for the sending to us, if not another copy of the whole document, a brief synopsis or abstract of the principal matter. On account of the limited space in our journal, such an abstract will probably be most available for our use.

Very respectfully,
Editor, Friend's Review.

Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church,
Spencer Academy, May 7, 1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D.C.
Dear Friend and Brother,

Yours received. May see Carlisle and Hampton yet. Shall be in Salem, and may see Mrs. Gwynne. I like the tone of her letter, in the kindly spirit in which I gave it. Her daughters are in Iowa, I think. Shall perhaps see them as I pass through, if they are not going home this summer. I wrote Mrs Gwynne the other day. It is a good thing, in being so far a-

way to have a fair list of possibilities in one's mind in case of vacancy.

I hope much in our work. May God grant it be realized, by His blessing the work.

Yours sincerely,
Alfred Docking.

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this morning, setting forth the present status of the Alaskan work so far as we are concerned. And I am more sorry than I can express that things are in such shape that we are compelled to defer, for at least a year, the whole enterprise upon which we thought we had embarked. The Women's Foreign Missionary Society, that supplies the sinews of war, at its annual meeting on Tuesday afternoon, decided, that for the present, it is inexpedient to commence the work in Alaska.

Bishop Nicholson also thought that there was not sufficient time now to adjust all the important matters involved in the enterprise. Perhaps if my (hurried and careless) you on the 23 ultimo, then I met it, matters might have been different. When I have all the facts as to its miscarriage, I will send them to you.

I can but express my regret that the whole plan has thus ended in temporary failure, and my grief is augmented by the knowledge that Dr. Breckfield has expressed a willingness to unite with the Reformed Episcopal Church in order that he might plant the banner of the cross on St. Lawrence Island.

I am

Yours very sincerely,
H. S. Haskins.

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I expect to go the end of this month to Lebanon, for all will there be very interested, I know, in hearing of the work for the pledge I have made for our Sunday School, to aid it. I will also be glad to write to Mr. Childs, to try to get him to help us in every way on the reindeer question, for I have very great hope of his doing so.

With kind regards, I am
Yours very truly,
D. D. Coleman.

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231 N. High Street,
Baltimore, Maryland,
May 9, 1891.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Department of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor,

I send the check for $33 per our Woman's Board here, to New York for you. Have read with much interest your articles in "Stam." Oh, the misery of those poor people!

If convenient, please send me receipt in your own writing, and do not forget to pray for us, and that my life may be spared to work. My health is feeble, but on this account I long to live. I give altogether per Woman's Board. Am in much pain today. God prosper your work.

J. E. Moore Bristow.

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Portsmouth, New Hampshire,
May 10, 1891.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Enclosed please find $10.00 to purchase an American reindeer, and may all success attend your undertaking.

What is this wasteful extermination of beast; bird; fish and forest to cease. The cattle will follow the whale and the walrus; the sable will follow the foxes, the Eskimo will follow the Indian. Man alone is cruel and calls it civilization.

The contribution is from
Yours truly,

S. H. Ferry.

50 South Main Street,
Providence, R. I.
May 12th, 1862.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Agent for Alaska,
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

I beg leave to inform you that I am willing to pay to the Hon. W. T. Harris, Commissioner of Education, $300, towards the purchase of reindeer for the Alaska Reindeer.

I trust you will be successful in raising the amount of money you need.

Very truly yours,
John Nicholas Brown.

"The Evening Press,"
Evanston, Illinois,
May 14, 1892.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Sir:

I learn from Mrs. Dr. Mowry that you are expected to be in Evanston on the 24th, and that you intend to be given the evening of that day. That won't do. Our citizens do business in the city, and are not in town evenings the day. Besides you can't do yourself, or your interests, justice, nor yet your cause. You perhaps may not remember me as one of your Evanston Sophomore Class, of "Ellen," the lady the Avon was lost. I addressed your school, as did Mrs. Fredrik of Swiss, one of our instructors. I also with a view of interesting them Rev. William Smith, my pastor, South Evanston, and afterwards sent you a little collection, the result of a little talk I gave our people.

Now I wish to say I want to have you one evening here. I can do it with a stereopticon map of Alaska or 10 foot screen. The map taking in the whole territory, to Harvest Common Island. Showing all the mission stations of which I have knowledge. I have a lecture, not yet delivered, to be illustrated by 100 views of towns; totems; Indians; huts; your school, and Mr. Willards. Juneau; Douglas Island; muir; Bldel the rocks; Ahaan a wreck; a Shaman, and the expedition of 10 Go to it. Saint Ellas, 120 views."

If I hear your plans I would arrange to give my lecture the night before, it is second best, and so prepare

the way for you. But you must spend one night here sure, and I think among the large number of students, and the general sympathy of the public, you can awaken an interest which would be of great advantage.

If you could arrange to be here Friday night, Mond., I would give my lecture on Thursday night, and leave the use and fixings in the hall for you to use in connection with your address. I am now editing this paper, and on receipt of this I wish you would wire me a night message, at my cost, and tell me if I may lay plans as above. Or such information will enable me to get you out a good audience.

We go to press Friday night, (weekly paper,) and there is no way, except handbill, of reaching the people through a local paper later. So please inform me of your plans at once.

Yours truly,
George W. Hotchkiss.

P. S. Would be glad to entertain you while here.

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Danbury, Conn.
May 11, 1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Sir:

Enclosed you will please find ten dollars, a contribution to the Fund for the relief of the Eskimos.

Mrs. H. B. Olin.

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With kind regards and best wishes, I remain
Very sincerely,
Miss H. S. Benson.

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Room 47, Fidelity Building,
Pittsburg, Penn.
May 12, 1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

At the request of Mrs. William Thaw I have today, sent to Colonel Sheppard $40, in response to your appeal for funds, with which to purchase reindeer for Alaska.

She requests me to say that she would write herself, but was on the point of leaving town, and very much pressed for time. But desires me to convey to you her best wishes for your success in this, and the other measures you are taking for the benefit of the people of this strange and far away country.

Yours respectfully,
Frank Semple.
Attorney.

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Revenue Cutter, (Station L)
New York City,
May 12, 1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

Your letter in the New York Evangelist calling for magazines to be used by the friends of humanity in the far off Artic Ocean, has induced me to send you six bundles (6) of Harpers and Scribners magazines. There are seven (7) in each bundle, so that I could be sure of them not exceeding the four pounds limit.

I trust they will reach you in good order, and in time. The last two (2) bundles are mailed to-day, so you see I am three (3) days ahead of your instructions.

I have read your letters, "Cruise of the "Bear in Behring and Artic Seas," with a great deal of interest. When a boy at school I could never get it into my head how they divided the time for work, recreation and sleep in these long days as well as nights, and now that I am a man in age and stature, I don't know that I can do any better now.

Wish I could help you on in your reindeer project, and hope the good Lord will open the hearts of those that have enough of this worlds goods and be sure to assist you in this line of yours. If not too much trouble I wish you would let me know if you receive the books safely, they are wrapped in strong paper, and as an extra precaution, tied with string.

Trusting the Lord will bless you and your work I am

Yours respectfully,
S. A. Brush.

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1121 Kentucky Street,
Philadelphia, Penn.
May 15, 1901.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Reverend and Dear Sir:

Your letter of yesterday, addressed to the Rev Dr. A. S. Hoffman, is received. The Doctor left the city this morning to attend the meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Episcopal Church, in New York, and he is not expected back until next Saturday. I would forward your letter to him, but I know he is already overwhelmed, and hesitate to do anything which would hardly be possible for him to do any thing in the matter while away from home.

Very respectfully yours,
A. A. Hays.

P. S.

Since writing the above your letter of today has been received. Drs. Nicholson and the Bishop are both in New York, at the meeting of the Synod. I will just now forward both your letters to Dr. Hoffman. If you wish to address him in New York this address would reach him.

Rev. Wm. W. W. Silliss, D. D.
[illegible] Avenue,
New York City.

Very [illegible] yours,
A. A. Hays.

Bristol, Penn.
May 17, 1901.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of April 29, and my communication on teachers at Kiliamuse, which letter read like instant. I was waiting to write until I could arrange my money matters, which as yet I have not been able to do. But think I can do so soon.

Yours very respectfully,
E. M. Calvin.

708 Chicago Avenue,
Evanston, May 13, 1891.

Rev. Dr. Jackson,
Dear Sir:

We are greatly pleased to be assured by telegram that ten will be with us the evening of the 21st.

I enclose Mr. Mooney's card. Please come immediately to our home, and remain with us during your stay in Evanston.

Dr. Mitchell called on me, on receiving notice of your coming, and will be pleased to illustrate your lecture with stereopticon views of Alaska. I hope this will be agreeable to you.

Respectfully,
H. E. Mooney.

Rector's Study, Christ Church,
2409 Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois,
May 12, 1891.

Rev. and Dear Brother,

A paragraph in the Chicago Daily Post mentions that you have been attending the sirter in Washington, and that you will return to Alaska, you are to be in Evanston, in the suburbs of Chicago, on Thursday the 21st, instant.

As the Reformed Episcopal Church will unquestionably, in its approaching General Council, adopt a work in Alaska as its chosen sphere of Foreign Missions, I am exceedingly desirious that my own people, in Christ Church, should be informed regarding that work and field. How could you not give us Wednesday, the 20th, or May? That is our regular Wednesday evening lecture, and if I could certainly know before next Sunday, the 17th, that you would accept my invitation, I could insure for you a good week-day audience.

I hop that you will favorably consider this, and if you can be with us at that time, please wire me at once at my expense. Pardon this informal letter from a total stranger, but I have no doubt that you know my name, or my relations to the Reformed Episcopal Church, which is now so stirred up regarding your field of labor.

Not being sure of your address in Washington, I send this under cover to a friend in that city.

Faithfully yours,
Charles Edward Cheney.

Industrial School,
Sitka, Alaska,
May 18, 1891.

Dr. J[illegible],
My dear Sir:

. I send report for [illegible] ending March 31,1891 to Seattle, Washington, c/o Gordon Hardware Company.

Harry Phillip had better remain at Carlisle a year or two longer. I trust the Board is looking for my successor. I need a change of employment for awhile. We are all well.

Wishing you every success, I remain
Yours very sincerely,
Wm. A. Kelly.

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Frederick Brown Building,
6th. & Chestnut Streets,
Philadelphia, Penn.
May 19, 1891.

Personal.
Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

The Women's Missionary Society of the Reformed Episcopal Church, (Dr. Dallas Billmeyer), informed me that they could not take up the work of Christianizing in Alaska. My wife had collected $30, and I made it up to $54.[illegible], and we asked to let it go to India. I pitched up the Episcopal Recruit in last Sunday, and read your appeal. I immediately wrote to the Treasurer to send you the money at once to buy reindeer for the Alaska people. It is yours now to do what is best in the premises, but if you get more than enough for the purpose, let our land at twenty increase, and give out the interest. But this is no charge on the money, only a suggestion.

There our money to rest you after the 18th
Let me suggest you sending an appeal to Miss Nellie Smith, Arch above 50th., South Side, Philadelphia, who was in Alaska last summer, and is much interested in the work. She has time, and money and brains.

Yours truly,
Charles A. Harte.

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Bible House, Ninth Street and 4th.Av
New York City, May 14, 1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Bureau of Education,(Alaska Division,)
Washington, D.C.

Dear Brother Jackson,

Enclosed we send the lists of articles to be purchased for our missionaries at Cape Prince of Wales. We have kept copies of these. There was also a list sent to Mr.C. D. Ladd, by the missionaries that we have tried to obtain. He wrote to Mr. Pond to get it and send it to us. He wrote that the firm promised to send it direct. It did not come, and we wrote ag in to Dr. Pond. He replied that he found that the firm had neglected it, but that they had promised to send it to him the next day, and that he would forward a copy to us,and send a copy also to Seattle, that it might surely be in time. No list has come to this office, but it may be in Seattle when you arrive.

In regard to all these matters of articles and prices, we must confide in your experience and judgement. Have the bills made out and sent to this office, and they will be promptly paid. We hope you may find at Seattle, a good many books, pamphlets and periodicals on hand or letters and papers, so save it put into a regular bill, and forwarded here also.

We will send our letter to the missionaries to you, to the care of the Gordon Hayward Company, Seattle, Washington, the name you gave us in your letter of April 1st. We have no small solicitude as to what you will find when you reach Cape Prince of Wales. The brethren may be dead. They may be discouraged. They may be disheartened by not having wives come to them. They may be ready to return, perhaps prematurely. In some of these contingencies, your advice to them, and to us, will be of great value. It will be discouraging to friends of missions in Alaska if they should return for insufficient reasons. We hope you will carry with you, and inspire them with some of your own indomitable courage.

Your Bureau of Education requires reports from the missionaries. Please take to them all needed blanks, and tell the missionaries how to fill them out.

Very sincerely yours,

H. L. Stricby.

Asheville, N. C.
May 14, 1903.

Dr Jackson,
Dear Sir:

I see the paper, inclosing [illegible] $10.00 to your name.

Yours sincerely,
J. F. Whitmire,
of U. S. S. Olivet.

P. S. If any public entertainment is made, please withhold my name, and write them "A."

Greenville, South Carolina,
May 16, 1903.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Care Interior,
Washington, D. C.

I have read in the "Christian Intelligencer," your appeal in behalf of the Eskimo, and am interested in the plan of reaching them by the Siberian peninsula towards Behring Straits.

Yours truly,
Samuel C. Dean.

1200 Seventeenth Street,
Washington, D. C.
May 16, 1903.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
U. S. Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Mary Lucile, in view Mrs. Williams unless, for your proof reading in reading this letter at introduction to your [illegible] in Alaska.

I sincerely hope it [illegible] in my power to reciprocate your kindness.

Sincerely yours,
V. C. Williams.

74 Marginal Street,
Chelsea, Mass.
May 15, 1891.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find $1.00, in aid of the Eskimos. And would you send receipt for the same, and oblige,

Yours truly,
A. F. Allyn.

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Pleasant Street,
Portsmouth, New Hampshire,
May 15, 1891.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Having read your article "Help for the Eskimos," in the "Christian Register," of May-7, you will find $10 enclosed for the same, which please credit to the "Strawberry Bank," at the rate of a friend. Please inform me of the receipt of the above, by addressing,

Miss A. M. Haven,
(as above.)
Yours truly,
A. M. H.

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Cumberland Mill,
Philadelphia, Penn.
May 15, 1891.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclose my check for Two Hundred and Four Dollars and sixty-five cents, sent from the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Reformed Episcopal Church, for the purchase of reindeer for the starving Eskimos of the Arctic Coasts of Alaska.

This is in answer to your appeal published in the Episcopal Recorder of May 7th.

Respectfully,
Caroline T. Emory.
Treasurer.

Exeter, New Hampshire,
May 15, 1891.

Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Dear Sir:

I enclose check for $10, to be used in your work for the Alaska Eskimo.

Respectfully yours,
E. J. Faulkner.

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[illegible] Nagard Street,
New Brunswick, N. J.
May 16, 1891.

Mr. Jackson,
Dear Sir.

In response to your appeal through the "Intelligencer," I am glad to [illegible] for the Alaskans, I enclose $10, which please acknowledge.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. E. Williamson.

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[illegible] Department,
Office of the Secretary,
Washington, D. C.
May 18, 1891.

To Commanding Officer,
of United States Revenue Vessels,
Cruising in Alaskan Waters.

Gentlemen:

You are directed in the course of your regular cruising, to receive Rev. Sheldon Jackson on board your respective vessels, and convey him to such points as he may desire to visit in the discharge of his official duties, not to interfere with the regular duties of your vessels.

Respectfully yours,
Charles Foster,
Secretary.
L.G. S.

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Post Office Department.
Washington, D. C.
May 18, 1891.

Mr. Sheldon Jackson,
United States Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your recommendation, I have the honor to inform you that an order has this day been issued contracting with the North American Commercial Company, of San Francisco, California, to carry the mails from Sitka by Yakutat (n. o) Kutztak (n. o), Kodiak (n. o), Unalaska (n. o), Humboldt Harbor (n. o), and Belkofsky to Unalaska (n. o) Alaska, from April 1st, to October 31st, of each year, from July 1st, 1891, to June 30, 1894.

Very respectfully,
J. Lewis Bell,
Second Ass't Postmaster General.

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787 Madison Avenue,
New York City,
May 19, 1891.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

We send your appeal for help for the Alaskan Esquimaux, in last weeks "Christian Intelligencer," and wish to enclose money to buy one reindeer, our little mite to encourage you in your good work, and to help in a small way to Christianize and assist the people of that Arctic territory in their struggle for existence.

Bidding you God-speed in your noble work, and wonderful success as well, and hoping to hear from you through our church paper again, I am

Very sincerely yours,
Mrs. Charles H. Knox.

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Treasury Department,
Office of the Secretary,
Washington, D. C.
May 16, 1891.

Captain M. A. Healy,
Commanding Revenue Steamer "Bear,"
Seattle, Washington.

Sir:

Rev. Sheldon Jackson has been designated by the Bureau of Education, Department of the Interior, to procure domesticated reindeer from Siberia for the purpose of introducing the animals into Alaska, both to increase the present insufficient food supply for the natives, and to create a new and profitable industry, which will increase their self-support, and that Department has requested your co-operation, both in the purchase and transportation of the reindeer.

It is proposed, as will be seen from the enclosed copy of correspondence, that the Steamer "Bear," on its way northward, touch at certain points on the Siberian coast, and that you assist Dr. Jackson in purchasing from 100 to 300 domesticated reindeer, and transfer them, with their keepers, on the "Bear" to the Island of St. Lawrence.

You are accordingly directed, if it can be done, without interfering with your regular cruising, under orders of this date, to proceed on the coast of Siberia, and assist in carrying out the wishes of the Department of the Interior, as expressed in the enclosed copies of correspondence upon the subject.

If considered necessary, you are authorized to leave an officer and two men on shore to conduct negotiations for the reindeer, while the vessel continues on the way north. Calling for them upon your return.

Respectfully yours,
O. L. Spaulding,
Assistant Secretary.
L. C. S.

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for transportation to St. Lawrence Island on your return.

This scheme is carried out by the Interior Department, under direction of Dr. Jackson, (you will understand) and you only assisting him with the work. + + +.

L. C. Sheppard.

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Depot C. & N. W. R. R.
Chicago, Illinois,
May 20, 1901.

Rev. W. C. Bond, D. D.
Dear Brother,

Almost up to the day of starting, I had arranged to go to San Francisco, charter a schooner, and send two school buildings to Point Barrow, Alaska. At the last moment I was telegraphed to meet the "Bear" at Seattle, immediately. Consequently, unless you can get some one to attend to the business for me, it will have to go undone for this year.

I think last year you found a carpenter and builder, who would have been willing to have gone up and erected the Congregational building, at Cape Prince of Wales. Could you get him, or some other good carpenter or builder, to go up this season, and erect a school and residence building, on St. Lawrence Island, Behring Sea? The plan would be for him to frame his building at San Francisco. Then charter a small schooner, load up, and go with schooner to St. Lawrence Island. While the carpenter is at St. Lawrence the schooner can continue to Point Barrow with materials for another building. This latter could not be framed at San Francisco, as the teacher at Point Barrow is a regular carpenter and builder, and will himself erect the house.

On the return of the schooner from Point Barrow, it can land at St. Lawrence Island, pick up the carpenter, and return him to 'Frisco. The cost of the St. Lawrence building will be paid by the National Episcopalians; and at Point Barrow by the Presbyterians, and I will guarantee both.

Now if you can find a good man to undertake this for me, please telegraph me to that effect, and I will send you all particulars. Telegraph me care of United States Revenue Steamer "Bear," Seattle, Washington, at my expense.

Kind regards to your family.

Your Brother in Christ,

Sheldon Jackson.

United States General Agent of Education for Alaska.

Also telegraph if you cannot do anything.

"Evanston Press,"
Evanston, Illinois,
May 21, 1891.

W. C. Sprague, Esq.
Dear Sir:

I enclose as per request, return letter to Dr. Sheldon Jackson. I also enclose a dodger, which explains itself. We are greatly disappointed at Mr. Jacksons inability to visit us, having anticipated a rich treat. I have no idea that I can recompense our citizens for their loss.

Yours truly,
George W. Hotchkiss.

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Clark University,
Worcester, Mass.
May 21, 1891.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Seattle, Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

I regret very much that I did not see you on my visit to Washington last week. You will have heard that I desire to secure measurements of Indians from as many places as possible in Alaska. Your teachers all over Alaska, have certainly the very best opportunity of securing material of this kind, and I shall be greatly indebted to you if you will kindly recommend to them to obtain, during the coming year, measurements of as many individuals as they can get. I must have the returns in the fall of 1892. But it would be very desirable to get as many as possible this year.

Indians; Eskimos; Aleutians, are all equally desirable. I think it will be best if they will send the filled blanks to you, and if you will kindly forward them to me.

I send to-day a package of blanks, instruments and instructions, eight in number, to you address. I hope to be able to send twenty-five sets more to-morrow, and hope they will reach you in time. Please distribute them as equally as possible along the shores, and, eventually, also in the interior of Alaska, among persons whom you think you can trust. In the final work due credit will be given to each contributor.

By your co-operation you will greatly help my work, and greatly oblige,

Yours very respectfully,
Franz Boas.

San Francisco, California,
May 25, 1891.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
U. S. Revenue Cutter "Bear,"
Will send houses. Shall we fill schooner with other freight?

William C. Pond.

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and also superintendent of our Sabbath School. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton were among the charter members of this church. Their two daughters are members also. This family will be very much missed by our church, and by the community in which they lived You will find them in hearty sympathy with all christian interests and work.

Yours fraternally,
Winfield T. Scott.
Stated Supply McCoy Church.

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[illegible]-to to our purpose and methods. It have secured for our work the co-operation of a large number of the leading educational institutions, as elsewhere [illegible]. We shall be glad if you would [illegible] to the work educational organizations, such as Teachers' Associations, Agricultural Institutes, Farmers' Clubs, Study Circles, etc., in your State, might possibly be interested in this work.

This work of University extension is attracting very general attention, and it is hoped to hold a series of meetings in different parts of the country, for the purpose of exciting general public interest in and interest. You can be a great deal to help the [illegible] of your work in the matter to the public of your State, and we trust that you will see your way clear to co-operating with us. We shall be glad to send you as many circulars, &c. as you may be able to distribute. You will receive shortly the United States Commissioner of Education's annual [illegible], which is one of our best Advisory Committee.

Enclosed you will please find blank card of acceptance, which you will be kind enough to fill out and return to me.

Very truly yours,

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Dec. 30, 1891.

Rev. H. C. Dunn,
[illegible] Street,
San Francisco, California.

Organize Study [illegible] and send [illegible] the earliest date you can get ready. Will write.

Melvil Dewey.

(Telegram)

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Castalia, N. C.
May 30, 1891.

Rt. Rev. J. Johnson,
c/o Bowles,
38 California Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Collect all existing public systems, privately [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]. Send $100 as [illegible]

T. W. Bulkley.

JUNE. 1891.

Department of the Interior, Census Office.
Plainfield, New Jersey,
June 4th. 1891.

The Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

I have received yours of the 27th. ultimo, inclosing "Puget Sound, Washington," in which you say that the documents sent you for the returns of the Presbytery of Alaska, were misleading, and did not reach you, and you very kindly give me the totals for the presbytery, of churches, communicants, etc.

I beg to inclose herewith a schedule, and to request you to enter the facts you have given me, in detail, for each congregation, in the manner illustrated on the third page of the schedule.

Please also give the seating capacity, and value of the church edifices, if it is possible. I desire to get all the facts for the seven churches as nearly as possible.

Thanking you for your courteous response, and trusting that I may soon have the schedule filled out, I am

Very respectfully,
H. K. Carroll.
Special Agent Eleventh Census.

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ges an they own, and will steal you out dollies.

I have said to our carpenter that if he would venture to put up a good a house as he can on a basis of $1800 for the tabernacle (i e, $600 for his half) I will, in case the cost of transportation will exceed that amount, make an amount equal to the missionary society to stand between him and loss. and have ventured to say that I believed they would not hesitate to respond favorably to my appeal.

If I could only know that the missionary family could somehow get through the winter without discomfort, I should not feel justified in taking such a responsibility, but as it is, in the doubt about this, I know no other way. Yet I realize still may you could not have arranged the matter at Seattle better that I possibly could do here.

Hoping to be able to write you further before the Jeanie sails, I am

Yours cordially,
William C. Pond.

P. S.

As the Jeanie does not sail until 5 o'clock, I am able to add a word to state that I think you may rely on the business being satisfactorily fulfilled. We pay from $1500 to $1600 for our freight, and the schooner is at liberty to fill up with other freight, only so that the voyage be not delayed. My friend, the carpenter, once more to furnish a house, which will be, I think, satisfactory. I know that he will deal honestly and skillfully, and do the very best that he can.

No letters or packages have come to me for you I inquired at the Alaska Commercial Company's Office, and found nothing awaiting you. I have both papers when I get at the Occident office, except the Examiner, which I bought. This makes up all that I can do for you by the Jeanie. I shall ask for books and papers for our Cape Prince of Wales brethern, to be placed on the schooner, She is to sail on the 15th.

Cordially,
William C. Pond.

P. P. No. 2.

I don't know of any reason whatsoever for qualifying the assurance given above, that the business will be fulfilled, except that we have had so many disappointments. I do feel anxious still, just why no reason why I should.

Remember us to Brothers Thornton and Lopp. What ever mail-matter I had for them I sent to Seattle, except one letter and two papers forwarded with this. Would write them, but am overwhelmed with work.

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.
June 5, 1900.

My dear Dr. Jackson,

We are glad to get your letter from Port Townsend, and to know that you have got things in good shape before sailing for the Arctic.

Dr. Gregory received your letter, and asked me to write to you as he is very busy looking after the plans, and working to secure the loan. The only thing to be said now is that we may have to do one of two things, to keep the buildings within the limited amount, either build but four stories, or reduce the five story building to one hundred feet in length. The present plan is 116 feet.

When this letter reaches you, six weeks hence, I hope it may find you well and hearty, and with a firm grasp of the reindeer contract, rolling the dough in the hours, as it were.

With best wishes and sincere regards, I am
Very truly yours,
J. W. Mahannah.

Dept. of Education,
Washington, D. C.
June 5, 1900.

Dear Foster,

A few days after you left Washington, a letter was received from R. Hoe, the Philadelphia printer, saying that in about two weeks after the date of his letter, Henry Phillips would know enough of printing to be able to go ahead by himself, and that, of course, the Eskimo printers would depend upon himself.

Henry has had trouble with his eyes, and had to be away from work for about a week. Mrs. Spinner, with whom he was staying, took him to a hospital where his eyes were attended to. In accordance with the doctor's direction, Henry bought a pair of spectacles, which were paid for by Mrs. Spinner. He settled in nice room. Mrs. Jackson thought he had better move or arise work in the printing office. Last Saturday I paid his board and will until June 9th., when he will return to Carlisle. I also left money with Mrs. Spinner for his ticket. I received your letter May 30, from Port Townsend, containing letters with regard to

[illegible] and pamphlets, and on answering them.

Hoping you are having a prosperous journey,

Very truly yours,

William Hamilton.

Dan Lawson has turned over $447, 50¢ to George W. Evans, Treasurer of the reindeer fund, and when the receipts from the sale of [illegible] come in, Mr. Holcombe thinks we will have about $2500, at least.

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419 Bartlett St.
San Francisco, California,
June 24, 1891.

Rev. S. Jackson, D. D.,

My Dear Brother,

Our little shipment will clear tomorrow, and I send by her divers letters etc., which have come for you and others, with the freight, as ordered. I will call to-day at the office of the Alaska Commercial Company and inquire if they have anything for you.

[illegible] better than as one [illegible] I must be [illegible]. Indeed I have felt painful fears that we might not get anything to you at all, and what the consequences of our failure might be, I dared not try to imagine. The schooner is chartered at a "lump sum" of $7500, of which $1000 is to be paid on sailing, and the balance on receipt here, of satisfactory evidence that the freight has all been delivered in accordance with the terms of agreement. I was unwilling to enter into an arrangement to pay by the month, when it was so completely in the power of the owners, and the Captain to prolong the voyage indefinitely.

It became evident that I should be obliged to transact the business not as an agent for any one, but on my personal responsibility. Accordingly I wrote fully to Mr. Lovan and to Dr. Kelly, describing the task I had undertaken, and asking them to telegraph me authority to draw on them, in the first case for $1000, and in the second for as much as might be needed of $3000. The responses came promptly, and were altogether satisfactory. I have drawn on Mr. Lovan for $1000, and on Dr. Kelly for $3000. Furthermore, finding that the charter would cost so much, I requested Commissioner Harris to allow us $300, as freight on the extra lumber for Point Barrow. He telegraphed favorably, and explained in a letter, subsequently received, that it would be a donation of the Bureau to the

Missions, and the lumber would still be regarded as going free.

At the last moment our arrangements for the John McCullough seemed likely to fall through, in consequence of a dispute between the owners and the brokers as to their commission. The owners would pay nothing because they declared that they had managed the business themselves, and the brokers had thrust themselves in unbidden. And this seemed to be quite true. But the brokers had taken a good deal of pains in connection with another schooner, which he refused finally to accept, and as it would not do to lose our bargain, I interposed, and offered to pay one half of the commission, if the brokers would omit the other half. They did this, and I sent them my check for $37, 50, and so the bargain was closed.

I have asked the Presbyterian Board to meet this amount, in view of the fact that all of our troubles, and a large portion of our expense, comes of the necessity of reaching Point Barrow. If I had not done it, the brokers could have broken up our charter, and the only possible remaining chance was to take a schooner at $2800, and even this was uncertain.

You said nothing about making the coal share the expense of the charter. You spoke of 15 tons, and again of 20 tons, an inconsistency which arose, I suppose, from some change of mind on your part. I decided that 20 tons was your last thought, and have sent accordingly. For the sake of better stowage, we have loaded it loose, and have placed 400 sacks on board to land it with. Purchasing it this way, we get 2240 lbs., to the ton. I suppose the price of the coal will be $8.50, but I have not yet received the bill. It will not be far from that.

Now Mr. Arthur, my contractor, notwithstanding the way in which this large price for the charter, and the very large cost of insurance, has eaten in upon the $3000, to which he is limited, has prepared a building corresponding thoroughly with the plan at Captain Knowle's office, and has improved upon it. He was at liberty to modify it under the terms of your letter, and I told him that all we could ask was such a building as he could give us for what was left of $3000. But he has given all that I should have asked under the most favorable circumstances. I am not willing that he should lose money. And so, since Captain Knowles offered to deliver egg-coal to the "Bear" at Port Clarence, for $20 per ton, I am going to learn what the cost of egg-coal would be here, and the difference between that and $20, I am going to charge as freight on this coal. It is Wellington coal. You called for bituminous. If the government will not pay this freight, the

Reformed Episcopal Mission must do it. Mr. Arthur, with my consent and wishes, has given you the benefit of his large practical wisdom and experience, and has slightly modified your order for Lumber for Point Barrow. He will send an itemized account of these variations.

The articles for Cape Prince of Wales have been procured and forwarded in as close accordance with your order as possible. I shall draw on the A M A for the amount, plus a fair freight. I am sure that you will see toit that the papers, etc., for Brothers Thornton and Lopp reach them.

Insurance has troubled us greatly. Many of our companies refuse to insure at any price, beyond 50°, north latitude. One company offered to insure the whole cargo at 10%, Nothing to be paid unless the loss was total. We expect to pay 5% for freight below deck, and 10% for that above. The precise amount of this bill I cannot now give, but it will exceed $1500. I shall distribute it as equitably as I can among the three societies.

I believe that I have now touched upon all points needing attention, except to call your attention to the necessity of furnishing the Captain with receipts when he shall have delivered his load according to contract. The carpenter also, with some sort of certificate that the house has been erected as it should be.

Cordially yours,
W. C. Pond.

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to broken up. It is a national disgrace that matters are permitted to run in their present rut or channel, as it puts every ship-master in a situation to do just as he pleases, whether it be good or bad, and the most strenuous efforts of the commander of the cutter will be of little avail, as he can be at this point only a few days, and after he departs is when their worst devilties are perpetrated.

The "bone" the natives have to sell, is sold on board the ships, and the major part of that is bought with liquor, one bottle of the stuff being sufficient to buy from 50 to 100 pounds of bone. And the same rums will prostitute one half of the girls, and nine-tenths of the women, or the beach and the results are the enormous mortality of these people. The death rate is such that, were it not that the purchase of children is so frequent, in fifteen years there would not be a native of this village left to tell the tale, or trade the spot with his "igaloo." Some, in fact many of them, are now in an almost helpless condition from the ravages of their excess.

As an example, take "Omalimum," styled by Lieutenant Bay the "Prince of the Beach," and a chief that has most fitted natives on the beach for prosecuting his native work. Too is what he has done.

Last September he came to the island aboard the Rush, and there until the first of March, as he still stayed, that he might get away from whiskey. About the first of March he returned to prepare for the whaling season. He obtained supplies for that purpose, but was turned out of every thing obtained, and spent his time in drunken revelry as long as the liquor lasted, and after the rums played out, he realized that he was so utterly destitute that he could not put a single canoe on the "race", from lack of provisions. A few days ago he sold part of his clothing to buy ammunition to kill wallabies the last resort.

Another is "Agaroo", who kept up his revelry so that it was unsafe to go to the village. He was terribly destitute, but fortunately died before reaching that point. There are many others who are dependent on the charity of their neighbors. Several whaling ships have been struck along the beach and in Golden Bay, since the ships left here last October. One was a large coal carrying steam liner, but for more liquor, and the fact would not have come fully to light, but the natives who got it disagreed about the division of the contents.

I write this not in any official capacity, but

simply to put a few facts before you, that you may considerand be prepared to make suggestions.

Respectfully yours,
L. H. Stevenson.

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Auburn, 1880.
District of Alaska, Executive Office,
Sitka, Alaska, August 2,1881.

Rev. Fr. Sheldon Jackson,
Dear Sir:

Your letter of June 27th., received. I presume you will not receive this letter until you return from the Arctic, but I do the best I can to acknowledge the favor, when I receive your letter to me.

I have sent word to Judge Dunphy, through Judge Boyles, asking him, if he intends to resign, to do so at once, as his successor may be appointed. Also requesting that it will scarcely do for him to leave his post until his successor is on the ground.

I do not think Mr. A. Clary, though a suitable man in other respects, can be justice of the Peace, while he is deputy marshal. I hesitate to appoint Justice's where there is a Commissioner. If I find there is likely to be an interregnum, in your case, I can send a Commissioner to Prince-ton post say with up to November, or until new mails.

There are many perplexing complications, in connection of defective laws, and difficulties with enforcing them, which very much hamper, but time only can remedy. Business is mighty slow.

Yours very truly,
Lyman E. Knapp.

Merriam, Illinois,
August 3, 1881.

Mrs. Rev. Sheldon Jackson.
Dear Sister,

Yesterday a line of inquiry as to your good husband, and the pastoral line of his interest to the Sitka[n] Home spring, but [illegible] promised to stop here on his eastward trip, and give us a evening sermon; [illegible] at Alaska, but it was [illegible] a little sooner than he expected, he could tell why then, but "until on his return in the fall". If we can get him, we want a regular "rally," and can't give the encouragement. Can you tell us about [illegible] and when the best P.O. address is to write him en-route, so as to get some [illegible] personally? To run on the line from St. Paul to Chicago,

mail only a little out of Chicago, by way of Five Mile Creek, so it need not delay him very greatly, if in haste for Washington. Our fall meeting of Presbytery is not with Presbytery proper, so we can set our own time, varying from the customary one, if necessary. Only we want to know approximately, when to prepare for it.

May I trouble you, or your daughter, Miss Jessie, of whom the Doctor told me when here, years ago, to give me his best Post Office address, and any particulars likely to be of service, at your very earliest convenience.

Yours in work for the Master,

Miss Mary E. Holmes,
President, West Presbyterian Home Mission Society,
Fairmount Presbytery.
and
Chairman Synodical Committee, Synod Illinois.
501 South 1st. Street,

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San Francisco, California.
December 12, 1890.

Sir:

My thorough acquaintance with matters that relate to the Territory of Alaska, impels me to write to you, upon a subject in which I take a great interest - Education in Alaska.

I must candidly confess that I was in a measure opposed to the manner in which the schools were established, but since my last visit to the Territory (June 1888 to Nov.1889) I have seen and heard of such excellent results that have been attained by the various teachers, that impels me to add my praise to the present systems that prevail. The schools at Onakeela and Kadiak (St.Paul) the Sitka and other smaller establishments in S.E.Alaska are doing and have accomplished work that can only be mentioned with praise.

Henry H. Wolfe.

Hon.J.L.Dawes.
U.S.Senator, Washington, D.C.

Bureau of Education
Washington, D.C. June 8, 1891

Doctor Sheldon Jackson.
c/o Rev.William C. Pond
418 Bartlett St., San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Sir:-

I was much pleased to receive your two letters of May 25th and 29th from Port Townsend, in which you give such satisfactory information in regard to arrangements by the Reformed Church Committee for placing a house on St.Lawrence Island this season. My not knowing that such plans had been made was the cause of my anxiety on the subject and my telegram to you. I have communicated with Mr.Pond who received a telegram from him informing me that the schooner would sail with the mails June 15th, from San Francisco. I send this letter therefore to his care.

I am particularly pleased to learn of your intention to employ Mr.J.T.Vincent for the case of the reindeer. Mr.Vincent's experience in Siberia will certainly qualify him for this task better than any one we could be able to find. I sincerely hope you may have been able to secure his services and that you now have him with you.

I can report to-day a total of over $4100 subscribed to the reindeer fund and on Saturday last I shall telegraph Mr.Pond the amount on that day. This will be the grand total, out of which you have already purchased goods to the amount of $1848.87. By the way, it seems to me that it would have been better to purchase supplies at Seattle to the total amount which has been reported to you, as goods will probably cost more at Unalaska; but you are

doubtless doing the best you can under the circumstances. My telegram on the 15th will give the exact amount of all subscriptions.

Wishing you success in this very interesting experiment, and hoping you will report progress if opportunities offer, I am

Very sincerely yours.
W.T.Harris, Commissioner.

Executive Mension
Washington, January 23, 1891

Mr.Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D.C.
My dear Sir:-

In reply to your note of the 15th inst. asking that the letters of Messrs.Brady, Reid and Burtis and which you left with the President and which made charges against Judge John T. Forbes, be returned to you. I have to say that these letters had been referred to the Attorney General for his consideration. In response to my inquiry he informs me that an investigation has already been begun with these letters as a basis, and he thinks that pending such investigation the letters should remain on file in his Department. Your own letter of transmittal was not referred to the Department, but is on our private files in this office.

Very truly yours,
E.W.Halford, Private Secretary.

Washington. D.C.. February 27, 1891.

Sir:

Inclosed herewith is a copy of an advertisement, inviting proposals for carrying the mails between Sitka and Unalaska, Alaska, from July 1. 1891. to June 30, 1894.

A form of Proposal is also inclosed. The Department would be pleased to receive a bid from you for this service.

Very respectfully,
J.Lowrie Bell,
2d Asst.PostMaster Gen.

Rev.Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C.

Post Office Department, Washington, D.C.
March 2, 1891

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you of the appointment of Wm. D. Noland as postmaster at Jackson, Alaska, in accordance with your recommendation. The necessary papers will be sent without delay.

Very respectfully,
S.A.Whitfield, First Asst.

Hon.Sheldon Jackson

1 – 15 = 1888 – July 1891